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Acting President Hurley Steps In

By RYAN MARR
Staff Writer

Executive Vice-President Rick Hurley will take over the duties of acting president today, following the resignation of Judy Hample. Hurley, who will serve as acting president until July 1, sat down with the *Bullet* on Tuesday to discuss his thoughts on assuming the presidency.

With the school's past two presidents, we've seen two distinctly different leadership styles. While President Frawley made a real effort to establish a visible presence on campus, President Hample preferred to work behind the scenes to get things done. In your opinion, how should a university president approach their job?

"Really, in both ways. Personally, I feel compelled to do the high-visibility outside work. One of the things I feel that the president needs to do is to increase the reputation of the university. In order to do that, I feel like it's important to meet people. I think it's important to interact with the students. How many students at other colleges can say they've interacted with their school president? On the other hand, this job requires pursuing agendas, ensuring students make it to graduation, pushing policies through."

What is your primary agenda as acting president?

"Our short term goal is to get students through finals. In the next three months, I hope to focus on our priorities for the next year. The school is up for reaffirmation of our accreditation in 2013 and we have work to do to prepare for that. Assessment will be a major effort which is a process of self improvement that touches every department on campus."

What is most significantly different in how you will be approaching the job this time around?

"Last time, I killed myself trying

to do everything that I think a perfect president should do. This time I want to be more careful in how I do that. This time, I'm really going to pick and choose which tasks to take on in order to ensure the highest priority issues are being addressed in a more thorough manner."

How much longer do you anticipate remaining an administrator at UMW and in what capacity?

"Just a couple more years. I want to make sure the institution remains stable. If I'm here as president I can do that. If I'm here as a vice-president I can do that."

Walk me through a typical day as Rick Hurley.

"Well, I can tell you about today. I got up at 6 a.m. I had a phone conversation with the attorney general at 8:30 a.m. At 9 I had a meeting with my direct reports to discuss assess-

ment and the importance of the initiative. From 9:30 to 11 a.m. I had a staff meeting with my direct reports. At 11:30 a.m. I had a conference with a parent whose two sons go to school here. For lunch, I walked across Campus Walk and bought a sandwich from the vendor outside and then I brought it back to my office and ate it while reading the Redskins homepage. At 1:30 p.m., I had a security task force meeting. From 3:30-4:15, I met with staff to discuss the Hurley Award. It's 5 p.m. and I'm talking with you. Afterwards, I'm going to go home and pick up my wife and then drive back to school for the "Rosie the Riveter Great Lives Lecture."

Considering the recently high turnover among UMW presidents, what steps do you plan to take as acting president to assure the UMW community, and even the general public, that our school's leadership remains stable?

The answer to this question really rests with the university's Board of Visitors. We shall see what action they take on April 9.



Marie Nicola/Bullet

Rick Hurley in his office. He becomes acting president today.



Anne Elder/Bullet

Inside a mock room of an Eagle Landing apartment. On Tuesday, UMW announced that all 624 beds at Eagle Landing will be occupied in the fall, following a one-time reduction in the price.

Loan Bill Passes; Students Face \$3,000 Aid Increase

By LINDLEY ESTES
Staff Writer

The student aid bill, signed on Tuesday, March 30 by President Obama, marked the realization of two of the Obama administration's primary goals: affordable education and health care reform.

House Democrats added the student aid legislation as an addendum to the health care bill during the final stages of amendment. Though the student loan changes were largely overlooked because of the controversy surrounding the health care bill, the student aid legislation is one of the most significant changes to the lending industry in 40 years.

Over 10 years the bill will generate \$68 billion in savings by ending subsidies for financial institutions, the bipartisan Congressional Budget Office reported. Some \$36 billion of the savings generated will go to the Pell Grant.

According to the U.S. Department of

Education Web site, the Federal Pell Grant Program provides need-based grants to students at postsecondary institutions, with amounts based on the student's expected family contribution, the cost of attendance of the university and the student's enrollment status.

According to the Associated Press, half of undergraduates currently receive federal student aid and 8.5 million students are going to college with the help of Pell Grants.

Taking effect in 2014, the legislation would also cap student loan repayments at 10 percent of the graduate's salary.

The *Washington Post* reported that the Pell Grant, which is currently on the verge of collapse, would be able to give the average student \$5,975 by 2017. The current average amount is \$2,770, according to this year's Pell Grant Status Report.

Instead of going through a middle man, students would apply for a loan di-

rectly from the federal government. This process changes operations in the Financial Aid Office of the student's college or university substantially. New staff may need to be hired and old staff will need to be trained.

Incoming University of Mary Washington students would be able to apply for a grant upon acceptance to the university.

Students have an overwhelmingly positive outlook on the bill.

"If it means bigger grants then I think it's definitely a good idea," junior Melinda Waldecker said. "I never know if I can afford to go back to college next semester. Also, I feel like the loans should be directly from the government. Banks shouldn't make money off of people wanting to go to school."

Sophomore Sheridan Sayles agreed. "Going into graduate school, that's nice to hear," Sayles said. "As a student

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Students Favor, or Fault, Debated Health Care Law

By ERIC STEIGLEDER
Staff Writer

On Sunday, March 21, the U.S. House of Representatives passed President Obama's health care reform bill on a party line vote, after almost a year of fierce debate and criticism over the nature and cost of the legislation, according to *Politico*.

President Obama signed the bill into law the following Tuesday. The Senate also approved a package of fixes to the bill, which was ultimately sent back to the House following a parliamentary ruling, and quickly passed.

Democrats quickly began praising the bill while Republicans jumped to criticize it.

Republican Rep. Mike Pence of Indiana explained to Sean Hannity his commitment to overturning the health care bill.

"I'm hopeful that we're going to turn this thing back," Pence said. "Scrap the bill and be able to start

over with legislation that will focus on reducing the cost of health insurance rather than growing the size of government."

President Obama countered what is being called "repeat and replace" while speaking in Iowa.

"My attitude is: Go for it," Obama said. "If these congressmen in Washington want to come here in Iowa and tell small-business owners that they plan to take away their tax credits and essentially raise their taxes, be my guest."

Following the bill's passage, many members of Congress have received threats of death or violence.

According to *Politico*, the brother of Virginia Democratic Rep. Tom Perriello reported his propane gas line severed after his home address was posted on a local Tea Party activist's Web site.

The *Guardian* also reported that prominent African-American Rep. James Clyburn received a fax with a picture of a noose, while other Dem-

ocratic lawmakers have reported vandalism at their local offices.

The *Washington Post* reported that the bill will cost some \$940 billion and will cut the federal deficit by \$138 billion over 10 years, according to the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office.

According to CBS News, the legislation will ultimately end up providing close to 32 million uninsured people with health care through local insurance exchanges, increases to Medicaid funding, and tax credits to individuals, families and small businesses.

The bill also includes tax hikes for high-income earners, costly health plans, cuts to Medicare, and a mandate that everyone purchase insurance or pay a fine that will be adjusted based on the cost of living.

The bill will affect many Americans, including college students, whose health care may shift upon

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Courtesy of Kyle Leffer

UMW's Ultimate Frisbee Team in action. The Grundlebugs hosted a tournament at UMW last weekend for the first time. Seven teams participated in the "Erectionals" tournament. See page 7 for information about the Fool's Fest this weekend.



BEAT

By **BRYNN BOYER**
Staff Writer

March 23- A student reported to the UMW police that her wallet was stolen. Since the theft occurred on Highland Avenue and not on-campus, UMW police took an information report and referred the student to the Fredericksburg police for a crime report.

March 24- During a patrol, UMW police found that rooms B11, 217 and 308 in George Washington Hall were open. Police searched the building and found a vending machine toppled over. Apparently someone had attempted to access the George Washington Hall roof. Police took a report and started an investigation. Police did not find any equipment missing from any of the open rooms.

March 25- A resident assistant from Mason Hall made a report to police about graffiti on a door in the building.

March 27- Fredericksburg police transferred a student caller to UMW police. The student said he thought he may have witnessed an abduction at the parking deck. UMW police responded, took statements and interviewed the security guards on-duty. According to the security guards, no one had observed any suspicious activity. A review of the video recordings at the parking deck also showed nothing suspicious. Police have not received any reports of a missing student.

March 28- UMW police and the Fredericksburg Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at Mason Hall. When they arrived, they did not find any smoke or fire but, they saw that someone had pulled a fire extinguisher, causing the alarm to activate. By an order of the fire department, evacuated students could not return inside the building until the fire extinguisher propellant was

cleaned up. Trinkle Hall was open so the students could wait inside the building while the fire department cleaned up Mason.

March 28- UMW police responded to a call regarding property destruction of state property at Alvey Hall. When police arrived, they found that someone had spray painted "let's get high" outside Alvey.

March 28- During a patrol, UMW police found a broken window at Hamlet House, an administrative building on College Avenue. Police were not able to determine what broke the window. Police filed a damage to state property report.

Pregnancy Center Flyers Cause Controversy

By **LONDON JAMES**
Staff Writer

The Mary Washington chapter of VOX, Voices for Planned Parenthood, is initiating a controversial abortion rights campaign on campus that questions the credibility of crisis pregnancy centers in the area.

Anna Halbrooks-Fulks, founder and assistant president of VOX, and National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (NARAL) campus intern, is spearheading a new campus-wide movement against the crisis pregnancy centers and their methods of care.

The campaign, "Support Without Shame," focuses on claims that centers make women feel guilty for the decisions they have made, instead of providing the support and counsel they claim to offer. In conjunction with NARAL, the campaign is broken up into two divisions, a grassroots campaign and a legislative campaign, according to Halbrooks-Fulks.

Halbrooks-Fulks said that the grassroots campaign aims to inform the UMW community about pregnancy options, including the crisis pregnancy centers. The legislative campaign focuses on removing all crisis pregnancy center flyers from campus and requiring any future advertisements to include disclaimers explaining that they are not

licensed medical facilities and cannot refer patients to comprehensive medical facilities.

"It is important to us that women are not shamed about their reproductive health and that they have the tools they need to make informed, healthy decisions," Halbrook-Fulks said. "We want women to have support no matter what they decide to do."

The campaign will also focus on crisis pregnancy center flyers recently hung around the UMW campus with messages such as, "Pregnant? Scared? Need help?" encouraging women to seek help at these centers.

Over the course of the past year, NARAL representatives conducted an undercover study where they visited the 250 crisis pregnancy centers in Virginia and spoke with women who had visited these centers and what their experiences were. The information collected from this study supports the legislative aspect of VOX's new campaign, according to Halbrooks-Fulks.

According to Halbrook-Fulks, women who have attended these crisis pregnancy centers found that they often exhibit religious and political agendas specifically targeting students, women of color, lower income and those whose second language is not English.

VOX, Latin for "voice," is a women's pro-choice club that deals

with raising sexual health awareness regarding unplanned pregnancies. They are a chapter of Voices for Planned Parenthood.

Fredericksburg has three crisis pregnancy centers. Of the NARAL representatives who visited the centers throughout the commonwealth, Deputy Director Emily Polak visited Bethany Christian Services on Stafford Avenue.

"Their ultimate goal is to have potential clients meet in person instead of

“*We don't feel a flyer is any danger to a woman on campus.*
-Virginia Osella”

over the phone," Polak said regarding her interactions with Bethany staff. "Phone conversations are evasive and deceive women in visiting the centers for services they don't actually provide. They didn't listen to what my best interests were at the time."

According to NARAL, the Bethany Center said, "Many women who have had an abortion now have bad flashbacks whenever they hear a vacuum

cleaner." NARAL and VOX claim this is an example of medically inaccurate information the centers are giving.

Gloria Whitley, nurse manager at Bethany, denied the claim that every woman who has had an abortion experiences these flashbacks.

"Some of our clients have reported experiencing these painful memories after receiving suction abortion," Whitley said.

Gloria Whitley, who has been at Bethany for five years, feels the NARAL study was done under false pretences. Whitley confirmed that Bethany is a Christian anti-abortion facility, which is why staff do not refer clients to centers that provide abortion.

"We're more than anti-abortion, we're pro-life," Whitley said. "We care about women, families and babies."

Whitley said Bethany staff never try to force clients to make a certain decision and that the ultimate choices are always up to the clients. According to Whitley, choices and options are the ultimate concerns of those at the Bethany Center.

Jonathan Shields, president of the Young Democrats, supported VOX's efforts.

"Women who are faced with the difficult reality of an unplanned pregnancy should be able to make decisions with

as much unbiased and factual information as possible," Shields said. "VOX has worked hard to make sure those confronting that reality can make educated choices for themselves."

However, not everyone on campus agrees with VOX.

Virginia Osella, secretary for UMW's chapter of Students for Life, feels that VOX's flyer campaign is going too far.

"We don't feel a flyer is any danger to a woman on campus," Osella said. "We don't censor VOX's flyers so we would hope they would represent our freedom of speech."

Students For Life is a pro-life organization that educates college students about the issues of abortion, euthanasia and infanticide.

Osella said the centers do not misinform or endanger women who come to them for guidance.

Cally Myhrum, president of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship, does not agree with the abortion rights campaign, but agrees with the idea of supporting women.

"We believe that abortion is an act of murder, whether it's born or unborn you're taking a life," Myhrum said. "If somebody in our community had the experience we would do everything we could to care for them and encourage them to keep the baby."

'Conflicting Results' Mar Class Council Election

By **KRISTEN KELLEHER**
Staff Writer

Students campaigning for Mary Washington Honor Council, Judicial Review Board and Class Council ran from the UMW bell tower to Lee Hall last week, carrying spray-painted bed sheets to promote themselves for the 2010-2011 elections on March 24.

Elections were held via e-mail on Wednesday, March 24, and results were announced at Woodard Campus Center Thursday, March 25. Election aftermath revealed conflicting results in the election for Class Council 2011 positions, and it was announced Thursday that the presidential winner for the class of 2011 would not be disclosed that night.

The position of vice president for the class of 2011 also remained unsettled, with a tie between Sara Lowdon

and McKenna Lehman, as did the position for the 2011 promotions director between Samantha Crouse and Katey Kems.

"In order to be elected to Class Council, our constitution states that you must win at least 50 percent of the vote," Kelly Caldwell, secretary for the Class Council class of 2010, said. "For the 2011 vice president position there were three candidates. Since no one won 50 percent of the vote, there will be a run-off election between Sarah Lowdon and McKenna Lehman...In the case of the 2011 Promotions Director we actually had a tie this year."

Some of the conflicts have since been resolved. Austin Bartenstein won the presidential race for the Class Council class of 2011, after his opponent was declared ineligible due to a stipulation of the Student Government Association constitution.

A run-off election for the positions of vice president and promotions director for the class of 2011 was held yesterday, with final results being released tonight in the Red Room at 10 p.m.

"I am just excited to continue serving the UMW community through the different events that class council has run," Nick DeSarno, vice president elect for the class of 2011, said. "Class Council is unique in the fact that it keeps tradition here at UMW alive...We have an amazing group of students that work together while having many other commitments, we are able to provide UMW with fun and exciting events throughout the year."

Five positions per class are elected annually to the Honor Council and the

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Corrections:

In last week's issue of the *Bullet*, Emily Butler was misquoted in the Sexclamations column. Her quote was submitted to Erin Hill, the columnist, by Tekla Taylor, who misunderstood Butler's intentions. Butler said the quote in jest, and never intended for it to be printed.

Viewpoints

Health Care Bill Lifts Weight off Young Adults

Part of the new health care bill allows young people whose jobs don't provide health coverage to remain on their parents' health insurance through age 26. For college students, that means no more wondering about what to do post-graduation. With the job market low, finding jobs that provide benefits is harder and harder.

Thanks to the new legislation, recent graduates have one less thing to worry

about as they face the terror of the real world. The extension only covers unmarried dependents, and does not extend to any children the dependent may have. Also, the legislation would not cover those 26 or younger with jobs that provide health benefits.

Prior to the legislation, many recent graduates were forced to go without any coverage until they could find long-term employment. Before the economy took a negative turn, that wasn't a big problem since a large number of graduates found work shortly after leaving school.

With unemployment still high despite the economy beginning to rebound, many graduates are going unemployed for months after graduation. For those who do find work, the chances of getting a job with benefits are slim. Whether or not you agree with the Health Care

Reform bill, the assurance of having some kind of health coverage for your first few years out of college is reassuring.

While there are some health plans available to those whose employers do not provide coverage, they can be expensive for young people with limited incomes. Additionally, those plans may not fully cover expensive surgeries or medicines.

Not only does the bill make life easier for recent

graduates, it enables

those who choose not to attend college to spend more time looking for work and making ends meet. People should not have to worry about whether or not they have access to health care. As new graduates enter the workforce, lifting the weight of health care from their shoulders is an enormous help.



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Staff Editorial

Crisis Pregnancy Centers Mislead Local Women

By ANNA HALBROOKS-FULKS
Guest Columnist

A group of VOXers visited the Bethany center, a local crisis pregnancy center, for their annual open house last year. We had seen their ads on campus reading, "Pregnant? Scared? Need help?" and "Counseling about all options". Curious about crisis pregnancy centers, we went to see what we would find. We were greeted by two very pleasant women, one of whom was a registered nurse, who pointed us to a library of brochures and showed us around the center.

One pamphlet called "Abortion, before you decide" emphasized the possibility of death as a side effect of abortion. It also linked abortion with breast cancer and contained information about a psychological condition they called "Post-Abortion Syndrome."

"Post-Abortion Syndrome" does not exist. The American Psychological Association is on record as saying that a woman who chooses abortion is at no greater risk for mental health problems than if she chooses to carry an unintended pregnancy to term. The National Cancer Institute has concluded in dozens of studies in the last decade that abortion does not cause an increase in breast cancer risk. A legal abortion is a safe medical procedure.

We talked to the women about VOX and our work on campus, saying that our main goal was to prevent unintended pregnancy by promoting safer sexual practices. The nurse spoke to us about her reluctance to rely on latex barriers, and also said that Plan B could cause an abortion.

Medical establishments, including the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, maintain that emergency contraceptives such as Plan B do not cause an abortion.

I asked the center if they counseled women about birth control. They said this was not one of the main services that they found relevant to women's needs, but should a woman ask, they would send her to the Fredericksburg Health Department.

I examined more of the pamphlets including "For Great Sex Put This On" with a picture of a finger wearing a wedding ring, "Second Virgin-

ity" and "Saying No To Sex- It Makes Sense". The women informed me that they counsel women on how "to keep from being in a similar [crisis pregnancy] situation again." I talked with them about their religious affiliation and ideology. They said that they hoped that everyone could practice abstinence until marriage.

Wrongly emphasizing death as a side effect of one option does not qualify as "counseling on all options". Such crisis pregnancy centers are not medically licensed, do not provide medical care and mislead women about their confidentiality agreement.

A friend of mine visited the Bethany Center and said she felt intimidated and coerced when she would not give them a form of identification. Although they advertise as being confidential, their confidentiality agreement states, "Yes, there are times when confidential information may be shared without your permission...[including] sharing information with companies we contract with to provide services on our behalf."

VOX has undertaken a Support Without Shame! campaign, because it is our firm belief that women in crisis pregnancy situations deserve support, regardless of their choices, without being subjected to scare tactics and shame. We have collected approximately 300 signatures in support of a policy that requires these centers put a disclaimer on their flyers when they advertise on campus, giving some sort of identification of their agenda when they counsel women.

Women in crisis pregnancy situations deserve medically accurate information and unbiased counseling. But in order to make sure that no one finds herself in a crisis pregnancy situation, people deserve medically accurate information about preventing unintended pregnancy—like information about and access to birth control methods.

These centers have every right to exist and push their anti-choice, abstinence-until-marriage agenda. We are simply asking that they be a bit less misleading. While they continue to go about their mission, VOX will continue to decrease abortion rates by promoting safer sexual practices and birth control use.

Grad School Instead of Job is a Good Trade

I changed my mind. I think I know what I'm going to do with the rest of my life.

A week ago, after spending a good deal of my current and past internships writing press releases and doing work with social media, I realized that I could see myself with a career in public relations.

Unfortunately, the search results in the "Jobs" section on washingtonpost.com aren't seeing eye-to-eye with me. Every position that someone fresh out of college a year ago would have been able to snag is now asking for two or more years of professional experience.

Despite ignoring that little detail, submitting my resume and cover letter, and calling to "make sure they had received my information," there haven't been many responses. I've found a few internship opportunities that look promising, but they're only for the summer.

Meanwhile, I kept hearing about a university in D.C. that had a great Masters program in communication. It's for a year, and it would allow me to live at home, even though that would require my dad and I to sign a peace treaty.

I did a bit of thinking, and realized that in this economy, maybe getting my Masters (something I had planned on doing a few years down the road) wasn't such a bad idea.

As a result, I have now begun the process of applying to graduate school for communication, and though I have made the decision to apply, I have

not figured out if I will go just yet.

Even before I can discuss why I wouldn't choose to go, I actually have to get in.

I contacted the graduate school's admissions office to make sure that June 1 was the actual deadline to submit an application. The woman I spoke to said yes, but advised me to get my information in as soon as possible because they had already accepted a good deal of the class. She also informed me that this year's applicant pool had been more competitive than in previous years. I have a GPA similar to the average for accepted students, but who knows where it will stack up this year.

If I do get in (knock on wood), I have to figure out what's easier: taking out a bigger loan and getting my Masters out of the way, or deferring my acceptance, saving some money and taking out a smaller loan. The risk that comes from the latter is that I might never go back because of a promotion at work.

While I may make good money, a graduate degree is a nice thing to have as security for the future.

For now, I just need to focus on taking the GRE and submitting my application. I'll also continue to apply for jobs, and see what comes out of it.

Now, back to work.

SINGLE
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FEMALE



By Emilie Begin

Sex in Real Life Better Than in Movie Scenes

A scene from a collegehumor.com video:

Boy: "Hold on. I'm still wearing a sock. Is it in?"

Girl: "We should put down a towel. I'm—spotting."

Boy: "I've kind of lost it [my erection]."

Despite some exaggeration, the aforementioned video embodies real sex, with all of its kinks and quirks. Sex can sometimes be, well, unsexy. That does not necessarily make sex unpleasant. In fact, awkward moments during sex can sometimes make the experience more enjoyable and hilarious. Being able to laugh about the awkwardness can bring partners closer together. Laughter is healthy and increases happiness, even during sex.

We have all seen the perfect, romantic sex scenes in movies, where clothes somehow fall off with one quick touch of a hand. Before you realize it, the deed is done. Films make sex seem effortless. If a movie does not depict sex as an uninterrupted continuum of events, it usually depicts the act as being a scene on which to hang numerous sex jokes and hyperboles.

For instance, a scene in "The 40-Year-Old Virgin" shows the main character struggling for what seems like hours on end to put on a condom. The movie makes sex look like an unquenchable, unwieldy battle. Of course, these illustrations of sex have their proper place and obviously serve a purpose in cinema. However, we must remember that real-life sexual experiences don't tend to be as perfect or as cumbersome as sex in movies.

Real sex almost always entails some degree of awkwardness or mishaps. From start to finish, minor unexpected issues arise. Although we may wish to make the deed as smooth as possible, a variety of factors can interfere with one's ideal sexual experience. For example, taking off each other's clothes almost never proves to be an easy feat. Something always gets stuck. If you're lying down, you usually need to get up again to remove clothing. You're probably wearing that one bra that doesn't unhook easily with one hand. Perhaps they would need to leave half of your clothes on while having sex.

Similarly, obtaining the perfect atmosphere can be difficult. You may be worried about getting caught

or someone walking in on the two of you. Finding the perfect location can be difficult in college. Maybe you're distracted by pictures on the wall of family members, too little or too much lighting, television in the background or a ringing phone. Needless to say, mood lighting and total peace and quiet are not easily found, especially in college. Finding the perfect position that creates comfortable weight distribution can be problematic. For example, in the college humor video, the girl complains about her partner's crushing weight as he lies flat on top of her. He says his arms are tired. She replies with, "But I can't breathe!"

When bodies come together, they have a tendency to create awkward noises. Perhaps you find the sounds of each other's bodies slapping together to be distracting. Small pockets of air can get trapped between each partner's pelvic region, which sometimes makes a noise similar to flatulence.

When pushed out. If your lovemaking becomes very intense, you might accidentally prod or bruise your partner in an unpleasant way. Maybe a certain position creates a feeling of too much penetration in an unwanted area.

In addition to these issues, you have to deal with biological noises, including but not limited to flatulence and queefing. Last but not least, you have to think about bodily secretions. Where is the landing zone for ejaculation? What do we do if "Aunt Flo" is on her way in or out? Clearly, numerous awkward issues can arise when having sex. Nevertheless, sexual experiences can be just as enjoyable, if not more enjoyable, than sex in the cinemas. It is not about the problems that arise during sex, but your reactions to them that are most important. If you and your partner are able to laugh at the awkward moments during sex, then you probably have an excellent, comfortable, loving relationship.

To me, having that relationship in which each partner is completely comfortable with the other and having the ability to laugh at the awkward moments is actually more beautiful and perfect than the "ideal sex" featured in movies.

Sexclamations
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Viewpoints

According to Amanda...

Cold Cuts Not Unfriendly: Deli Summer Job Lets Columnist Earn Cash, Smell Meat

BY AMANDA BOCCUTI
Columnist

When I got a job working at a deli, my family was confused. I don't really like cold cuts. I had a temporary fling with bologna when I was in second grade, but aside from that, I prefer to keep it to peanut butter and jelly.

I was confused, too. My first day there, I found out that there are roughly twelve different kinds of turkey lunchmeat, not to mention the two dozen or so cheeses and the seven different kinds of ham. Everything looked the same to me.

Why was I working in the deli? It was the summer before my freshman year of college, and I needed a job that would give me as many hours as possible. As it turns out, they're starving for people in the deli. What drew me in was the above-minimum-wage pay rate and their eagerness to start me as soon as possible.

Sure, I knew nothing about what I would be slicing, but I figured it couldn't be that hard. Boy, was I wrong. Yes, I knew what Swiss cheese looked like, but no, I didn't know how to tell the difference between Lorraine Swiss and Baby Swiss. Peppered turkey versus peppercorn turkey? Forget about it.

There were a few standards that I could always identify: salami, provolone cheese, chicken. Every time a customer stepped up to the counter I secretly hoped they would choose one of the three. They rarely did.

After watching me struggle to find the right meat, one of my coworkers offered me some advice. He was an older man who liked to talk about the meat packing industry circa Upton Sinclair's *The Jungle*. "The trick is," he had said, in a thick, husky voice, "you gotta smell the meat."

It was the holy grail of deli clerk advice. Sure, it really only helped with the meats (cheeses all seem to have the same pungent smell), but it was the single best piece of advice anyone gave me. Of course, it had to be done discreetly. This I realized after receiving a disturbed look from a customer when I leaned in to get a whiff of what I was hoping to be the honey ham she wanted.

Granted, learning the meats didn't exactly help me when customers asked questions like, "Which ham do you like the best?" Responding with "I'd tell you, but I don't eat ham" was out of the question. I'm sure the idea of a deli clerk who doesn't eat meat would raise suspicion, and I wasn't out to ruin anyone's deli experience.

Instead, I would lie. Usually, I'd suggest whatever meat was open or whatever meat I enjoyed slicing the most. Technically, though, I wasn't lying. Those were the meats I liked the best, though why I liked them was completely different from why the customer would.

For the rest of the summer, I went home at the end of the day smelling like roast beef, with smears of American cheese on my apron. I returned that Christmas, and after slicing literally a hundred pounds of London broil, decided that it was time to move on with my career. Especially with all of my fingers still unscathed by the slicer.

Setting Boundaries Allows for Better Definition of Self and Relationships

Boundaries are an important part of every relationship. But the "boundaries" we're talking about here are not limited to the physical. They can really refer to anything, whether it be what you're comfortable talking about, where you're comfortable going or what you find acceptable to do.

How do you make them clear in your relationship? And first and foremost, how do you define them for yourself?

BAM: Honestly, I think the easiest way to figure out your own limits would boil down to this: can you live with whatever you're about to choose to do? I don't care if its talking about your past relationships, (unless they really should know something), or moving to the next stage with your current one. You really need to ask yourself if you can live with your choice on your conscience.

KED: Regrets are not something I myself would like to live with, and so I try to live in a way that would best avoid such acts. Of course everyone is going to make a mistake, so don't punish yourself too much. Forgiving yourself is important to letting the action go.

Make sure that you know not to be in the same situation again if or when it comes around next time. Always learn from past actions, whether they are your own or others. It helps you figure out what is really true to your own being.

BAM: Develop your own personal honor code. I really can't stress it enough. It's probably a bit extreme, but here's another tidbit to live by: if you wouldn't want it published in the paper, don't do it. In other words, if you wouldn't want to own up to your actions, if you don't want to be held accountable or are so ashamed that you wouldn't want your mother/best friend/the whole world finding out, chances are the choice you're about to make isn't quite in line with who you really are. Don't compromise your integrity or identity for anyone or anything. Standing up for and staying true to yourself is a real mark of character and maturity.

KED: Knowing what to stand up for is another thing entirely. Observe the world around you. Here in a university, we're kind of in a little world of our own making. Just because you might be surrounded by people you don't know does not give you license to act out of character.

Don't do something for the sake of others, or to look good in their eyes. That isn't you, and that isn't the way you should live. At the same time, don't let the fact that you're surrounded by peo-

body remember Nixon or Jefferson for being a nice guy?

KED: I don't know if I would go that far, but I guess the point still stands. I think that the person underneath is the true being, but if that person doesn't ever shine through, then how do you come across to other people?

Don't be afraid to say "no" to a friend if you don't agree. The ones who stand up are the strong ones, and it is those kinds of people that become the leaders of the world. Saying what you really think will always get you further in life than taking a backseat and letting someone else be behind the wheel.

Grab life by the horns, do what you need to do, but never compromise who you are for anything. Often who you are will change, especially here, but you're going to know better than anybody else what your limits are.

Don't feel like you have to surrender or change yourself. Sometimes the best decision isn't the popular one. A lot of people won't understand that. If you find yourself in that kind of situation, it's time to find some new friends. Keep the boundaries you set for yourself, and that will overflow into your relationships.

Boy Meets Girl



By Bryant Matera and Kat Dickinson

ple you don't know become a reason that you should just sit back and let your choices be squashed by being scared.

BAM: Here's my ultimate quote, lifted from *Batman Begins*: "It's not who you are underneath, but what you do that defines you." It means that whoever you think you are "deep down" doesn't really matter when your actions betray it entirely. It is a little harsh, but it is pretty honest.

Most people are going to judge you by your actions, and rightfully so, because your actions are the best litmus test for the measure of your character. It is your responsibility to make sure that your actions speak for you. I mean, does any-

Buying Marijuana Supports Violent Drug Cartels and Instability in Mexico

By THOMAS BOWMAN
Assistant Viewpoints Editor

The legalization of marijuana is a controversial topic that leads to much debate over the merits of such a decision. The debate has even extended to the Mary Washington campus over its "one-strike" policy on drug use.

Many students, and even some faculty, are trying to have the policy revised. While the arguments for and against legalization are well known, the fact remains that there is a violent drug war occurring on our nation's doorstep.

According to the *Los Angeles Times*, there have been 9,903 drug war-related deaths since January 2007, when Mexico officially declared an active war on drugs. There have been more fatalities in Mexico's drug war than the United States has had during the War in Iraq.

Just this week, 10 people between the ages of eight and 21 years old were gunned down with machine guns and hand grenades by drug runners when they refused to stop their vehicle and allow themselves to be used as drug mules.

The U.S. Consulate in Monterrey, Mexico was forced to close because of the violence, which has overflowed into the United States. Innocent victims are caught in deadly shoot-outs between cartels and the Mexican army. Entire families have been kidnapped from their homes in the U.S. and dragged across the border.

The U.S. government has been sending money to help Mexico fight the cartels, but U.S. citizens have been giving billions more to the cartels

through the purchase of marijuana and other illegal drugs.

Now that there is a literal war on drugs, the United States and its citizens can no longer support both sides of the escalating conflict. The \$20 spent on a nickel bag may seem like harmless weekend fun, but cartels are killing innocent people to make that pot available.

There is no way to know for sure where the marijuana you buy comes from. Even if it was grown locally, the seeds had to come from somewhere. Smoking pot is not a victimless crime. Just because we can't see the far-reaching consequences of our actions, doesn't mean there aren't any. The people running these cartels are terrible and ruthless criminals, abducting families as bargaining chips while they wage war on the Mexican government.

Mexico's economy has been floundering since the early '90s. With a poor economic situation, rampant inflation and now a war between the powerful cartels and the Mexican government, the United States could have a failed state at its back door if Mexico is unable to get the situation under control quickly.

At the present time, to legalize marijuana would be to legitimize these ruthless thugs and justify their violent business. While the economic argument for legalization may be compelling, we cannot put dollars and cents over the lives of the murdered innocents. These horrific criminals must be brought to justice and we, as American citizens, must stop financing their atrocities.

I understand the arguments for legalization.

Do you have a relationship question you'd like Boy Meets Girl to answer? Email us at umwbullet@gmail.com. You might see your question in our next column!

Sure, marijuana is no more harmful than alcohol or tobacco. Sure, it backlogs our legal system with insignificant offenders. But we must consider the big picture and consider the slaughtered thousands in the U.S. and Mexico. Until the U.S. does legalize marijuana, we must stop using it for the sake of a better global community.

In this day and age, there are very few clear lines of good and evil. It isn't often that we have a chance to combat evil. The men running these drug cartels are ruthless, coldblooded murderers. The drug cartels are a clear enemy and a threat to the stability of Mexico and the security of the United States.

We have a chance to influence the outcome of history by simply refusing to use marijuana and other drugs. If the cartels no longer have a source of income from us, they will be unable to fund their violent operations and will lose the war. Mexico will be restabilized and the United States will be a safer place to live if we don't have to worry about sharing a border with a failed state.

As small and insignificant as one person abstaining from drug use may seem, as a collective, it can have a disastrous impact on one of the few true evils of this world. Therefore, I must urge everyone to obey the law. If you support the legalizing of marijuana, fight for it in our state and federal legislatures. Call or write your congressman asking them to support legalization too.

Until marijuana is actually legal, don't do business—however indirect—with these ruthless, violent criminals.

Higher Minimum Wage Hurts Employment Chances

By MASON RAYNER
Guest Columnist

Perhaps you are currently searching for a potential summer job, or have been trying to find part-time work over the course of this semester. If so, you probably have had trouble finding openings.

Jobs are incredibly scarce at the moment. Although you may think this is the natural side effect of the sluggish economy, the truth is a little bit more complicated.

The national unemployment rate is currently 9.7 percent, a small decline from its recent peak of 10 percent, but still one of the highest levels since the early 1980s. Teenage unemployment, meanwhile, sits at an off-the-chart 26.4 percent. Why the huge gap? The answer might surprise you.

As you might know from experience, many

temporary and part-time jobs filled by high school and college students don't pay particularly well. In fact, quite a few pay the absolute minimum level required by law—the minimum wage.

In 2007, Democrats in Congress passed a bill with the support of then President George W. Bush that increased the minimum wage, in three steps, from \$5.15 to \$7.25.

Sounds great, right? Actually, this law, along with the lingering effects of the recession, is largely responsible for the horrendously high unemployment rate for teens.

The reason is actually quite intuitive. When the price of something rises, people tend to want less of it. This is called the elasticity of demand, which is just a fancy way of saying that people respond to prices. And just as you might buy fewer songs from iTunes if Apple raised prices across the board

to \$5 a song, businesses are less likely to hire workers when it becomes more expensive to do so.

The sad fact is that most of us under the age of, say, 22, are what economists call unskilled workers. We don't have lots of experience, we're eminently replaceable, and to be brutally frank, we don't add a whole lot of value. Employers are willing to hire us if the cost isn't too high. Minimum wage laws, by raising this cost, take away the one advantage we have: our cheapness.

Some have argued that the minimum wage hike has had little effect on employment, but the only way this could be true is if demand for labor was perfectly inelastic; or, in other words, changes in the price of labor (wages) had zero effect on firms' willingness to hire. If you believe this is true, try starting off your next job interview by saying you'll take the job for nothing less than \$30 an

hour and see how that works out.

The adverse results of minimum wage hikes are a classic example of a well-meaning action leading to unintended consequences. Signaling theory tells us that people often choose their political positions on the basis of advertising, or signaling, something about themselves. In this case, support for a higher minimum wage effectively sends the message to others that you are concerned about workers at the bottom of the ladder and want to improve their position.

However, what makes you feel good about yourself is not necessarily good policy. The fact that more than one out of every four teenagers currently looking for a job can't find one should be a cautionary tale to all of those who arrive at their political viewpoints solely with their hearts, at the neglect of their heads.

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Frawley Blames 2007 Incident on Stuck Toyota Accelerator Former President Finds Another Way of Demonizing Someone Else for Own Follies

By DEADBOLT JENKINS
Donuts Editor

Former UMW President William Frawley filed suit against the Toyota Motor Corporation last week, saying his April, 2007 accident was the fault of a sticking Toyota accelerator. Frawley, who was dismissed from the University after failing a sobriety test, said his floor mats were in the trunk.

"Look, the cough syrup was a secondary cause, ok," Frawley said. "I can normally drive home fine on a couple bottles of Tussin. It was the sticking accelerator that threw me off."

"My client would just like Toyota to pay him for all the emotional damage they caused him," Frawley's lawyer Seymour Dick said. Frawley has hired Dick's practice Dick, Busch and Associates to handle his case.

"They're some really great guys over there," the former president said. "They even agreed to let me pay for

my court fees in installments. So nice of them."

The Toyota Motor Corporation has been wrapped up in controversy since it recalled several 2010 models for faulty accelerators in December. Frawley's accusation comes as yet another dangerous blow to the waylaid automaker.

"I swear to God, I'm sick of this shit," Toyota president and CEO Akio Toyoda said in a press conference Monday.

"Toyoda would say that," Frawley said. "Listen, I've been around the block a couple times, and I know a personal responsibility dodger when I see one."

Mr. Toyoda countered that he was not dodging any responsibility, but was simply expressing exasperation at "one more motherfucking thing I have to goddamn deal with. I swear you assholes could screw up Christmas."

Frawley was arrested in April, 2007 after he led police on a low-speed chase from the Falmouth bridge on Route 1 to his residence at Brompton. Frawley the Board of Visitors fired Frawley shortly thereafter.



Katy Burnell/Bullet

"Man I don't know why I didn't bring this up earlier," Frawley mused outside the Fredericksburg courthouse. "I'll show all those bourgeois Mary Washington dirt bags how wrong they were."

UMW Police Chief J.H. "Hoss" Nesbitt wasn't so sure Frawley's case would hold up.

"Don't that danged-old recall just deal with new Toyotas?" Nesbitt wondered allowed at a press conference Monday. "Look y'all, I was there and I seen President Frawley as he exited

the motor vehicle. It was clear to me then the man was intoxicated."

Frawley, who has been managing pizza restaurant The Dirty Anchovy in Virginia Beach since 2008, said he still doesn't know why the incident got so much press.

"I was a little stressed, a little tired, a little sick and I needed to get to work," he said between bites of pineapple and ham pizza. "So I took some cough syrup and had a glass or six of wine. What's the big deal?"

Frawley has sued Toyota for \$10

million, claiming the company is directly responsible for his inability to make "like, hardly any bank" since 2007.

Despite repeated attempts to find a publisher, Frawley's book "Billy and the Machine" has failed to find a suitable home.

Coupled with that, Frawley said he has "bills stacking up and shit" and needs the "coin." Mr. Frawley said he's looking forward to the opportunity to clear his name once and for all.

McCarthy Releases Romance Novel

By IVANA HUMPLIK
Reviewer

After being turned down for the job of University president, Journalism Professor and Bullet Advisor Michael McCarthy has decided to take his career in a new direction.

When McCarthy leaves on sabbatical next Fall, he plans to begin working on a new romance novel tentatively titled, "Nights of Columbus."

The novel is loosely based on Dan Brown's "Angels and Demons," with a passionate twist. According to McCarthy, the CERN Large Hadron Collider takes on a whole new purpose in his book.

"I don't want to give away too much, but it involves hundreds of gallons of massage oil," McCarthy said.

McCarthy studied political science in college, but took several classes in creative writing as a diversion from the grind of academia. While political science is a decidedly unromantic

topic, McCarthy took classes on both Bronte sisters and Walt Whitman to keep his romantic spirit alive.

"This has been a dream of mine since I wrote a paper on 'Gone With the Wind' in college," McCarthy said. "I've always kept a tiny piece of Scarlet O'Hara alive in my heart."

Since graduating from college, McCarthy has worked at several reputable newspapers, including the Wall-Street Journal and the St. Louis

Globe-Democrat. This will be his first foray into the world of grocery-aisle romance fiction.

"As a reporter, I just felt so repressed by the conventions of journalism. I'm a deeply passionate man, and I want the world to know."

McCarthy said he spends most of his evening buried in whatever pulp romance he picked up at Giant that day. His collection has gotten so extensive that he rarely notices the title of the books he buys anymore.

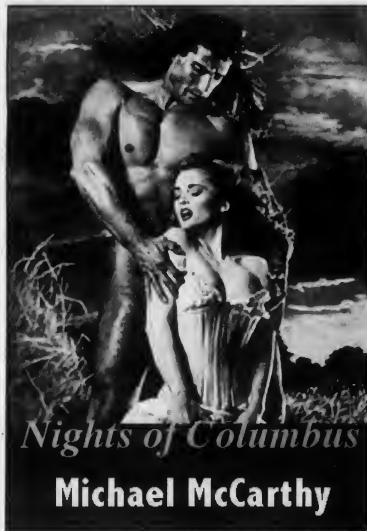
"I admit that I have several duplicate copies," McCarthy, who owns 46 copies of Ezmerelda Synn's "Knights

of Passion," said. "I've found the best way to write a good romance is to continually consume romance novels. It's really helped me nail my style."

While McCarthy has a burning passion for romance novels, he said he doesn't write for material gain. For the new novelist, writing fulfills a life-long love of romance and words, but he is not opposed to selling the rights to his works.



image courtesy of the Wall Street Journal



"Brick by Brick" by Michael McCarthy

Brick by brick
I built the wall
Street Journal.
Spitting the truth
Like a failed 401K.
Like my throbbing passion.
Lifts me from the paper chase
Edits my inner desires
Red marks cover my soul.
Red: Passion.
Black: Newsprint
Brown: Marci's cookies.
Sitting at this prison desk,
I stare out the window longingly.
Wait. There are no windows
In these Seacobeck bowels
Churning.
Rumbling and tumbling like bad Indian take-out.
I long for that window.
If it were there, I'd be looking at you [longingly].
Stop looking at me (wantingly).
I want it thataway (that-a-way).

As published in the Polemic and Aubade

Hample to BOV: 'JK!'

Mary Washington President Un-Resigns

By GARFIELD O'LEARY
n00dz editor

President Judy Hample sent a letter to the Board of Visitors this week. The letter, received by Rector Nanalou Sauder on Monday, said

"To whom it may concern: just kidding!"

According to a source close to Hample, she changed her mind because she realized "how much money she's getting paid not to do a whole lot."

Hample, predictably, could not be reached for comment. A source close to the newly-reinstated president said she was in the

middle of Modern Warfare on X-Box, and couldn't leave Brompton until she had beaten it.

"Students need to understand the value of video games such as Modern Warfare as tools to build leadership

skills," said University Provost Jay Harper.

"When was the last time you saw any student give a damn whether UMW had a president

self, was disappointed.

"Again? Goddamnit I was this fucking close," Hurley said after hearing the news. Hurley said he was tired of continually being led on by UMW and urged University officials to "stop playing games with my heart."

Philadelphia Eagles backup quarterback Michael Vick, who had also been eying the position voiced his disappointment Friday.

"I mean, the NFL is a pretty sweet gig, but Jepson would make a damn fine dog kennel," Vick said.

In a memo Hample sent to her staff, she promised to install a fully-functional steam bath to replace the Health Center in the basement of Lee.

"President Hample wants to use the steam bath as way of apologizing to her staff for all the turmoil recently," said Hample handler George Farrar.

anyway?"

Executive VP Rick Hurley, who was to step into the role of acting president and possibly the presidency it-



Beat

By **ROCK STEELE**
Chief of Po-Lice

March 23- Police have found a witness who could provide a visual description of the man involved in this past fall's Safety Walk blue light incident. They have provided *The Bullshit* with the composite sketch of the suspect. Police said that the suspect remains armed and at large and may be responsible for a string of crimes that took place on March 23.

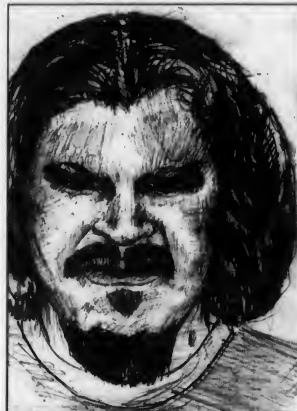
March 23- At 11 a.m. Bookstore employees reported that several pens had been stolen from the cup by the cash register at the bookstore as well as the \$15 graduation announcement order forms. University police claim that they have reason to believe that the man portrayed above was responsible.

March 23- At 11:01 a.m. a Virginia Hall resident reported smelling blood from her dorm room. University Police investigated and found squirrels in Ball Circle organized in a pentagram flayed and disemboweled with their entrails wrapped around the same pens found missing from the bookstore. Naturally, the man above is under investigation.

March 23- At 4:20 p.m. Judy Hample filed a noise complaint from her home in Brompton, claiming that she could hear what she believed was the music of the German death metal band Necrophagist coming from "somewhere in the direction of campus." Police investigated and found a boom box playing the correctly identified band's first album, "Onset of Putrefaction," in the steam tunnel under the school. The person responsible escaped into the steam and darkness before he could be apprehended but police say his or her silhouette looked like that of the man pictured above.

March 23- At 4:45 p.m. the Bookstore once again reported a theft, this time of a half eaten bag of Andy Capp's Hot Fries also last seen by the cash register.

March 23- At 6:66 p.m. the man pictured above was apprehended by a Fredericksburg Police helicopter. He was found on top of the bell tower wearing nothing but squirrel pelts with Hot Fries residue in his beard wailing on a Zakk Wylde Gibson Les Paul Custom repeatedly belting out "STEIGLEDER" in a deep baritone voice.



Police have released this composite sketch of the man who they suspect is responsible for all crime-related incidents reported at UMW this year.

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On Salves: A Guest Column

By **EARWIG MACDOUGALL**
Guest Columnist

In our world of plenty, there exists a cream for your every need. In the 103 years that I have endured this earth, there have been the few fleeting pleasures of sampling many an unguent for both remedy and lubrication.

On the subject of ointment, I bear with certainly the utmost knowledge of any man. Therefore, I hope to detail and speak lyrically on the wonders of salve.

First and foremost, I would like to explore the wonders of *Vick's Vapo-Rub*. *Vicks*, owned by our esteemed friends at Procter & Gamble, is a lovely, mentholated, topical cream with many uses, both advertized and as discovered with years of research by yours truly.

Vick's Vapo-Rub truly is one of the finest inventions of man. It soothes a sore throat, calms a dry cough and gently cools an old man's enflamed

back after a long day's fox hunt (I also find a generous application to ones perineum in the morning quite invigorating, but I digress.)

Although the recommendations on the bottle deem this lovely elixir "toxic if swallowed," it is my opinion that if I survived two world wars and the presidency of that Catholic Kennedy, then this little tonic surely won't kill me: I've found equal parts *Vicks Vapo-Rub* and fine calvados, no younger than 50 years, frozen, and consumed in the manner of a Jell-O shot quite refreshing. After four or five, this older gentleman finds himself ready to tussle with the police.

I recently observed a young tramp

promoting a balm on the television by the name of Clearasil. I found myself

furiously with this disgrace of a product. Why, in my days at primary school, those pimple ridden, impoverished filth, were ridiculed to such lengths many were forced to suicide.

This was natural selection at its finest! Those children of waste and

poverty were easily distinguished from those of us in the higher class who could afford visits to the baths. Now any plebe can espouse the pretense of wealth with this scandalous balm.



What has the world come to where any layman can adopt the personage of class and dignity? With the advance of years my face has grown undulated and grey and has robbed me of my more breathtaking facial features. Alas, the onset of old age has also sequestered many of my more manly features. As a man advances through his many years, he often finds himself reminiscing on his years past. He reflects on the dames that frequented his sheets, the elation associated with triumph in business, but most of all the loss of friends, enemies, and family.

Death will one day destroy everything we know and love. Life was a fever-dream made up of joys embittered by sorrows, pleasure poisoned by pain; a dream that was a nightmarish confusion of irregular and fleeting delights, ecstasies, exultations, happinesses, interspersed with long-drawn miseries, griefs, perils, horrors, disappointments, defeats, humiliations, and despairs. Death becomes man's best friend; when man can endure life no longer, death will come and set him free.

Ah, forgive my meanderings. All

this talk of death reminds me of an adventure from my youth. While stranded in a village on a tributary to the Yurungkash River, I was struck with a jungle ailment, and administered a salve by the village shaman.

A pungent, opaque paste was massaged onto my bosom by the antediluvian, toothless sage. A warm towel was draped upon my brow, and a strange feeling that, I can only relate to the early onset of hashish, came across my being. I sunk into a state of complete relaxation and self reflection.

I dreamed of my future quelling of South American Marxist rebellions, the reduction of workers' wages and the reintroduction of indentured servitude; how lovely that slumber was. Hours later I awoke to find my ailments cured, and shortly trekked out of the village and took the next steamship home.

I hope my experience in the ways of salve has been beneficial to you young college readers. I only hope the Maoist propaganda they instruct to you in class hasn't polluted your already incompetent minds too terribly.

Earwig MacDougall is an esteemed businessman, avid investor,

What's Not Here

"Students Helping Honduras" Merges With Fencing Club to Form "Students Fighting Honduras"

Geography Depart Moved to Storage B in the basement of Mercer Hall

Newly Privated ABC Stores to Accept EagleOne

UMW to Host Marilyn Manson in Dodd

Miley Cyrus Enrolls as UMW Freshman

Landon James Wins Pulitzer Prize For Excellence in Top 5 Reporting

UMW Sells Billboard Space on Top of Belltower to Hooters to Combat Budget Cuts

White Horse Gentlemen's Club Chain Rents Space at Eagle Landing

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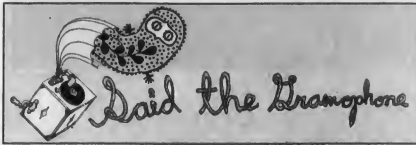
Entertainment

Top 5 Blogs For Music Snobs

By KEVIN KALLMYER
Staff Writer

The Internet is like an old thrift store; most everything is trash, but if you look hard enough, you'll find a keeper. This is particularly true with music on the Internet. Blogs have proliferated without respect to quality control, and the average music listener is left in an age of information overload without reliable and quality sources of music online. If you are in need of new music sources, below are five music blogs that could, potentially, help get you get your music fix back.

1. For people looking for new music: "Said the Gramophone"



courtesy of saidthegramophone.com

(www.saidthegramophone.com).

Said the Gramophone is a music blog run by three Canadian (gasp!) artists. They generally post a song or two a day, coupled with an interesting photo and anecdote. The music genres change more rapidly than UMW's president, and are generally excellent. Visitors can download the songs for free, and they provide information on where to buy the full album.

2. For the live music fan: "Morning Becomes Eclectic" (www.kcrw.com/music/programs/mb).

Los Angeles based radio station KCRW's Morning Becomes Eclectic is a fantastic radio program. They host live shows a few times a week and post both video and audio of the programs on their website. Just within the past week they have hosted She & Him, the XX, Massive Attack, Air, Spoon, Vampire Weekend, and Norah Jones.

Search the archives to find a live concert for practically any band you would ever want to see. Pretty awesome.

3. For the remix lover: "Hype Machine" (www.hypem.com).

Hype Machine is a music website that compiles music from every conceivable music blog on the Internet and puts in one place for easy access. Be aware, this website suffers from quality control, but sometimes you need to take the good with the bad. Remixes of popular songs dominate the site, and every once in a while, you will find a real gem.

4. For the aspiring musician: "Music Think Tank" (www.musicthinktank.com).

Music Think Tank hosts articles on anything related to the music industry. Generally, the articles focus on topics like touring, recording, mar-



courtesy of allthingschill.com

keting and promoting your band. Anyone can post articles, but often, they are written by industry experts on their area of expertise.

5. For the comical: "Rip Fork" (www.rip-fork.com).

If you are tired of pitchfork-loving-hipster-v-neck-wearing-pretentiousness, then you should check out Rip Fork. Each post analyzes a recent album review and proceeds to make fun of it. The blog dismantles music critics with hilarious effect.

Fools Fest This Weekend At Pratt Park: FREE BEER

By DAVID GALLAGHER
Entertainment Editor

Over 30 years ago, an ultimate frisbee tournament was founded on the mall in Washington, D.C. Named "Fools Fest," the tournament is the longest running tournament in the short history of the sport. Today, Fools Fest now takes place every year in Pratt Park, just over the river in our very own Fredericksburg, Va.

This weekend marks the 32nd annual Fools Fest, with games beginning around 9 a.m. Friday through Sunday. With over 40 men and mixed teams, there is a wide variety of skill on display on the tournament.

Fools Fest has over a thousand players and

spectators each year, many from UMW. A major draw for many students is the free beer garden provided by the teams and the Washington Area Frisbee Club, to patrons over 21, of course. Concessions are also provided as well as apparel and team frisbees.

Last year, the UMW Ultimate team sent a team made up of current players and alumni to compete in the games. The team made it to the quarterfinals on Sunday, but, unfortunately, was not accepted back this year.

The weather this weekend is forecasted to be around 80 degrees and sunny all weekend. This could be one of the best Fools Fests in recent memory. Head over to Pratt Park this weekend to enjoy some ultimate and beer in the sun.



Alumni Andrew Eaton and Daniel Curren get bested at Fools Fest 2009.

courtesy of Austin Burtenshaw



Bullet Points

Thursday,
April 1

- Cheap Seats will be showing "Sherlock Holmes" at 7:00 p.m. in Lee 411.
- Comedian Nore Davis will visit the Underground at 8:00 p.m. Nore is self-professed edgy and clean comic. Nore has performed all over the country and on MTV comedy shows. Event presented by Giant Productions.

Friday,
April 2

- Fools Fest begins at 9:00 a.m. at Pratt Park. Free beer garden for those over 21 and beautiful weather for everyone else.
- The Green Boys will be playing at Bistro Betham for the release of their new album. Check out last week's issue for a review. The all-ages show starts at 10:00 p.m. and there is no cover. Bring money to purchase their debut album.
- Cheap Seats is showing "The Lovely Bones" at 7:00 p.m. in Lee 411. Check out the preceding page for a review.
- "Sherlock Holmes" will be shown at 10:00 p.m.
- Check out First Friday events downtown on Caroline Street. Art shows, music and wine tastings always make First Fridays a fun time.

Saturday,
April 3

- Fools Fest continues at 9:00 a.m. at Pratt Park. Free beer garden for those over 21 and beautiful weather for everyone else.
- Cheap Seats showing "Sherlock Holmes" and "The Lovely Bones" again, at 7:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. in Lee 411.
- Hosted by a variety of clubs on campus, Mary Washicon is an all day event in Great Hall. Aimed at please the nerd in everyone, Orpheum Film Club will be showing three films, "Metropolis," "The Great Escape," and "Amalie" at 10:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Sunday,
April 4

- IT'S EASTER SUNDAY. YOU SHOULDN'T BE LOOKING FOR EVENTS TO GO TO. YOU SHOULD BE IN CHURCH, OR EATING DINNER WITH YOUR FAMILY.

Monday,
April 5

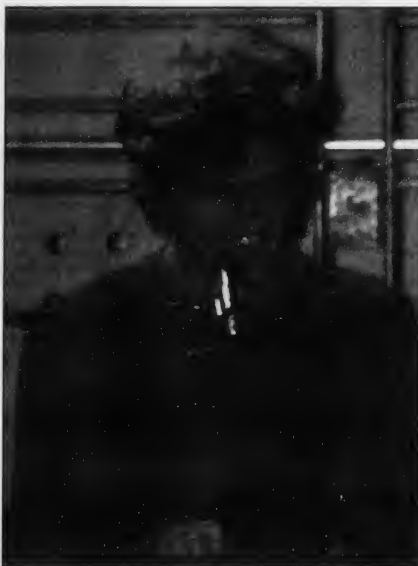
- Last Trivia Night of the semester at the Underground at 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by COAR, the theme of the night is poverty and homelessness awareness. Special prizes for correct answers.
- Beak Week kicks off with a BBQ and concert on Ball Circle from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday,
April 6

- Drive-in movies on Ball Circle "Kicking It," at 8:00 p.m., a documentary about the experiences of seven homeless people, followed by "Bend It Like Beckham" at 10:00 p.m.

Wednesday,
April 7

- Beak Week continues with another BBQ and concert by The Green Boys from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Ball Circle.
- Bingo night at the Underground at 8:00 p.m.



courtesy of Marie Sicola/Bullet

Steve Moakler at the Underground on Tuesday night.

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Entertainment



Craig Robinson, Clark Duke, Rob Corddry and John Cusack look into their hot tube with apprehension.

By **BRENDAN OUDEKERK**
Staff Writer

Who could really pass up on a title like that? It's absurd, amusing and informative. I'll freely admit that I couldn't pass on a movie called 'Hot Tub Time Machine.' Plus, who could pass up on a film filled with crazy '80s outfits and Darryl from "The Office?" I felt that this was surely a combination guaranteeing hilarity.

The best piece of advice I can give before seeing this movie is to keep your expectations low. While it is funny, it surely doesn't compare to the likes of 'The Hangover'. I would say we're still waiting for that summer box office smash that everyone must see, but this is a good hold over while we wait in the mean time.

The movie follows a group of four friends who decide to travel to one of their favorite vacation spots from their teenage years after their friend Lou (Rob Corddry) is in desperate need of some down time.

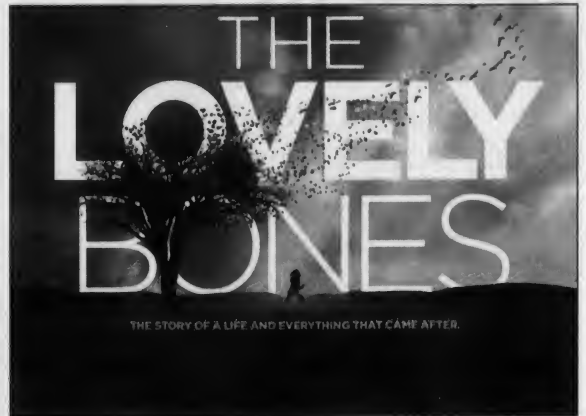
As the title reveals, the group decides to go for a dip in a hot tub that also happens to be a time machine. They wake up the morning after their wild night, realizing that the year is 1986. Worried their actions may have an adverse effect

on the future, they attempt to reenact exactly what they did on that day in 1986.

After several failed attempts at recreating the past, the guys decide that it isn't worth trying to do everything in the exact same way they had done it. Instead, they make more of an effort to live the past the way they wished they had done the first time. Lou attempts to win a fight with a bunch of bullies in which he'd originally lost, Adam (John Cusack) chooses to not break up with his then girlfriend, and Nick (Craig Robinson) makes a better song choice for a gig he had performed.

Of course, everything works out in the end. Naturally, the future is different from the way they left it, and everyone's happy with the outcome.

This film wasn't short on jokes and there are plenty of entertaining and quotable scenes you'll be sure to remember with whatever friends you see it with and it's certainly the sort of film you should see in a group. However, there aren't many memorable/hilarious scenes you'll be laughing about for the weeks to come like in some other comedies. It's an enjoyable film nonetheless, just don't expect anymore than what it offers at face value.



courtesy of hp.blogspot.com

'The Lovely Bones' a Strange Mix of Smart Drama and Effects

By **ISAAC WHALEN**
Staff Writer

The Oscar nominated film "The Lovely Bones" contains two stunning worlds that mix strangely, the world of acting and the world of CGI.

Peter Jackson's cinematic rendition of the Alice Sebold novel provides an entertaining plot with excellent acting, but with seemingly out of place special effects. Known as a master of special effects, Jackson delivers his trademark skill of creating an imaginary world out of computers and pixels. However, the intensity of the CGI is at odds with the very realistic acting of the cast, creating disharmony within the movie.

The film centers on the Salmon family in the 1970s after the abduction and murder of their daughter Suzie at the age of 16. As the family deals with their grief, Suzie must learn to move on in the after life, rather than dwell on the things she missed as well as interfering with the lives of her family. There is a fair amount of suspense in the movie as Suzie's father, played by Mark Walberg, attempts to hunt down her killer, played by an extremely creepy Stanley Tucci and bring him to justice. This game of cat and mouse gives the film an Hitchcock feel, which is negated by the heavy presence of the supernatu-

ral.

Yet this film is not only a mystery thriller. Rather, the underlying theme of this movie focuses on how to deal with the grief of losing a loved one. Large portions of the film depict the heavy amounts of strain the family undergoes, especially in the relationship between husband and wife. Susan Sarandon gives a solid performance as the crazy, comic relief grandmother who comes in to help the family cope with Suzie's untimely death. The entire casts gives a strong performance in their roles, and really help the plot progress. What makes this film disappointing is the juxtaposition of the special effects. Both the acting and CGI are quite good, yet they seem to fight for control of the film. The viewer is often distracted from the dialogue because of the effects, thus spoiling the acting.

The film still works though, and is an interesting watch despite its shortcomings. It raises many questions about what life and death really mean, as well as the connections between the people within a family. While the visual effects and the acting are not harmonious, the film does a good job at presenting both. While not as strong as Jackson's other works "The Lovely Bones" is worth a viewing.

Songwriter Moakler Woos the Underground

By **DREW CAMPBELL**
Staff Writer

Last night was open mic night at the Underground, which hosted any UMW student talent who signed up as well as the headlining act, pop-rock singer-songwriter Steve Moakler.

Arriving 10 minutes before the scheduled show time, I didn't wait long before the first act of the open mic portion of the evening took stage. The band's name was inaudibly mumbled by the MC, but they were a trio of musicians consisting of a lead guitar, a rhythm guitar and a bassist. The trio opened with a bluesy jam-type number and then played a cover of Cream's classic "Crossroads." After the trio left the stage, the second and final opener, whose name was also missed, took the stage and represented more of what was to come in the show, as he played several pop-rock acoustic songs.

After about a half hour opening set, Steve Moakler took the stage accompanied by his keyboardist. The hour-long set of Moakler's seemed to go by relatively quickly despite the fact that all of his songs sounded the same to me. However, despite my personal disconnection with Moakler, the singer seemed to have garnered a devoted following at UMW, mostly consisting of young ladies.

Hailing from Bethel Park, PA, Steve Moakler combines

a pop-rock acoustic sound similar to that of such acts as Parachute, Jason Mraz, and a slight vocal similarity to the Isaac Slade of The Fray.

As far as I could tell Moakler's entire set consisted of slow-tempo love songs with heavy emphasis on melody and chord play between him and his keyboardist. Steve Moakler played a few songs well known to his fans which included "Run," "True Like Your Name," and "Boy That You Drew" as well as a few newer recordings of his. Despite my surprise that I'd be reviewing a pop-rock show, the evening was not without bits of comedy which included some funny banter between Moakler and his keyboardist as well as the crowd. Another slightly comedic touch was an "American Medley" Moakler played which consisted of bits of "American Pie" by Don McLean, "American Woman" by The Guess Who and "Party in the USA" by Miley Cyrus all fused together for one immensely patriotic and amusing song.

As the open mic night came to a close, Steve Moakler thanked the crowd at UMW for having him back a second time and wrapped up an overall decent show, which included much audience participation and plenty of acoustic love jams.



courtesy of Marie Sciola Bullet

Steve Moakler at the Underground on Tuesday night.

Gym Class Heroes

April 12th at 8 p.m. in Dodd Auditorium

Tickets Presale at the Eagles Nest:

Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Monday through Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Pre-sale tickets are \$10 student, \$15 non-student

Day of show tickets are \$15 student, \$20 non-student
Get your tickets before they sell out!
Seating is general admission so get to Dodd early on the 12th!

Features

Women Discuss Body Image

36:24:36

Seven Women Wrote a Play About Their Own Struggles with Eating Disorders Called 36:24:26: Which Represents Marilyn Monroe's Shoulder, Waist and Hip Measurements.

By KAITLIN MAYHEW AND
JESSICA SHEARWOOD
Staff Writers

Just 50 years ago, 36:24:36 meant the shoulder, waist and hip measurements of the perfect woman. Today, those three numbers mean something different to 7 women.

The play 36:24:36, based upon battles with eating disorders, was performed at the UMW campus on Friday, March 28. Each of the stories are based on an experience of one of the writers or actors.

"[36:24:36 were] Marilyn Monroe's measurements," Ann Malinowsky the play's creator, said. "Sadly that has changed."

According to Malinowsky, Monroe had a much fuller figure than many women in Hollywood today.

Malinowsky wrote the show collaboratively along with six other women who have faced similar challenges with eating disorders.

Malinowsky, who battled bulimia for seven years, believes that these disorders are mental as well as physical.

"I think [disorders] are a great coping mechanism," she said. "[They cater to] the need to be in control."

She said that she remembers thinking that people who weighed less were being treated differently and "had better lives."

"Things hurt and I had to do something about it and bulimia was always there when I needed it," Veronica, one of Malinowsky's characters in 36:24:36, said.

However, even after recovery, the scars from disorders past are never gone. Malinowsky said that for a long time she felt as if she didn't even deserve acting roles she was getting.

"I wasn't bulimic anymore, but I felt like I was limiting myself," [It took time before I could say] wait your amazing, why are you limiting



Courtesy of Stephanie Schweitzer

Candice Holdorf, Naomi McDougall Jones, Ann Malinowsky, Amber Bela Muse, Stephanie Schweitzer and Danielle Tafen of 36:24:36, a play that started in New York City.

yourself?"

Remembering her old cycles of thinking inspired Malinowsky to create 36:24:36 and try to help other girls escape from those thoughts and know that they aren't alone!

"I think people need to be a part of a community, and supporting could be a great solution," she said.

36:24:36 is much more than a play to the writers and actors involved, it is

their own recovery community.

"Kimberly Smith is a recovering bulimic who wanted to be a part of this project not only to prevent others from succumbing to this painful disease, but also to continue her own recovery, which is a daily struggle," the plays website 36-24-36-nyc.com said of one of the script collaborators.

"My relationship with the cast of 36:24:36 has probably been one of the

most rewarding aspects of working on the show," Stephanie Schweitzer, one of the collaborators and performers, said. "I've found a family of sorts that is incredibly supportive."

The show at UMW was their fourth college/university performance. Schweitzer believes that these are their most important audiences.

"Personally this has always been a major goal for me," she said. "I was at

my worst with my eating disorder when I was in college. Eating disorders run rampant on college campuses and if I can inspire even one person to seek help or treatment my work on this show is complete."

"We cannot let others hurt the way we hurt," one of the last lines of 26:24:36 said.

Dining on a Dime

"Beef and Veggie Quesadillas"

By Heather Brady

Ingredients:

- 1 8-pack of soft flour tortillas
- ¼ pound ground beef
- 1 bag shredded cheddar cheese
- 1 onion
- 1 green pepper
- 1 tomato
- 2 small mushrooms
- sour cream
- vegetable oil

Directions:

1. Cook the ground beef on medium high heat until it is completely brown.
2. Chop all vegetables until they are in small pieces.



Heather Brady/Bullet

3. Heat the skillet on medium heat and put a quarter-size dollop of vegetable oil in the center. Put the tortilla in the skillet and continue to flip it until it is golden brown on both sides.
4. Cook another tortilla. Add cheese, beef, vegetables and more cheese, then cover it with the first tortilla.
5. Flip the tortilla until the cheese inside is completely melted.
6. Cut into four triangle-shaped pieces.
7. Repeat until all tortillas have been used.

Features

Belmont Seen 'Through A Lens'

By MEGAN EICHENBERG
Staff Writer

Had Frances Benjamin Johnston been a student at UMW, she might have filled her class schedule with art and photography courses.

But Johnston pursued her academic education during the 1880s at the Academie Julian in Paris many years before UMW opened its gates as the State Normal and Industrial School for Women in 1908.

Nineteen years later, after abandoning a career in illustration to become a photojournalist, Johnston's link to UMW developed when a local couple privately funded her photographic survey of Fredericksburg in 1927.

Nearly 250 images of area buildings, residences and gardens resulted from her lens work, including shots featuring Gari Melchers Home and Studio at Belmont.

Belmont, which opened to the public in 1975 under the administration of UMW, is currently hosting a new exhibition featuring the photographer's images.

"Belmont Through a Lens: Photographs by Frances Benjamin Johnston," is a display of 18 historic photos of the country house and its 28 acres.

Belmont is the former residence of impressionist painter Gari Melchers and his wife, Corinne, who purchased the property in 1916.

Described on an exhibit information sheet as a pioneer of early twentieth-century photography as a woman in a role typically reserved for men, Johnston's portfolio included celebrity portraiture, estates and gardens and the vernacular architecture of the American South.

The latter three subjects are on display in Johnston's snapshots of Belmont, which feature exterior shots of the house from several angles, interior shots of its furnished rooms and the property's gardens.

In 1929, the full collection of Johnston's photographic survey of Fredericksburg was displayed in Fredericksburg's Town Hall.

An introductory film that precedes complete tours of Belmont and its four-gallery studio outlines the couple's history and Melcher's art, which

is featured in such institutions as the Library Of Congress, Detroit Public Library and Missouri State Capital.

Melchers, a Detroit native, studied drawing and painting in Germany before moving to Paris at the age of 21 in 1881.

At the beginning of his career, his paintings focused on the daily life of rural peasants.

He was a grand prizewinner at the Universal Exposition in Paris, garnering him an international reputation. Several major award and medal wins followed.

After his marriage to Corinne, his

focus shifted to domestic scenes of middle class women and children.

The couple decided to move to the United States with the advent of World War I, setting up a studio in New York City.

They also purchased Belmont, decorating its room with antiques and furniture from their former life in Europe, where Melchers had been a professor of art at the Ducal Academy of Art in Weimar, Germany.

Melchers constructed a studio and gallery adjacent to the house in 1924, which now houses exhibits of his paintings and special shows, including

"Belmont Through a Lens."

Ten years after Gari's death in 1932, Corinne deeded the property and its furnishings to the state of Virginia as a memorial to her husband and his art.

Today, the house and studio remain intact with the couple's original possessions and artwork to reflect the estate's appearance of the 1920s, offering modern day visitors the chance to explore the same colorful environment depicted in Johnston's historic black and white photographs.

Johnston's images also are on display for the public through the Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center's exhibition, "History Through a Lens: The Photographs of Frances Benjamin Johnston," which runs concurrently with the Belmont exhibition through June 20.

Belmont offers current UMW staff and students free admission, while the Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center offers students discounted admission with student identification.

Visitors to either exhibit may present their admission ticket at the other exhibit to receive discounted entry.



Courtesy of, Michelle Crow-Dolby

One of Frances Benjamin Johnston's photos on display at Gari Melchers Home and Studio at Belmont.

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID....

A Student's Guide to Parking and Tickets at UMW.

By JORDAN KROLL
Staff Writer

According to the Fredericksburg municipal code, UMW commuter students aren't allowed to park on the streets surrounding campus.

Students are prohibited from parking anywhere from Stafford Avenue to Kenmore Avenue and Hanover Street to Grove Ave., meaning that if you commute to school, you have to buy a \$200 parking pass or face the wrath of the Fredericksburg Police Department's parking enforcement officer.

We've all seen the "No UMW Students" and "Resident Permit Required" signs that line certain streets around campus, but I, like many of my friends who also commute, always assumed that if there was no sign on the street, then there was no problem with me parking there.

I also figured that if I don't have any UMW paraphernalia on my car, they have no way of knowing I'm a student and, therefore, no proof that I shouldn't be parking there.

Given the three parking tickets I've accumulated in just as many months, it's safe to assume I was wrong.

As we learned in various life-altering lectures during orientation week, the absence of a no does not automatically mean yes, just as the absence of

signs prohibiting students from parking on various streets doesn't mean we can park there.

If only the police were as good at preventing rape as they are at protecting the residents of Fredericksburg from students who park on their precious streets.

When I went to contest one of my tickets, the officer I spoke with told me how one gets awarded one of these lovely pink slips tucked beneath their windshield wipers.

Apparently residents who live on any of the previously mentioned streets can call the Fredericksburg police when they see someone who looks like a student parking his or her car and walking towards school.

The parking officer comes out and if there is nothing on the car indicating whether or not it belongs to a student, the officer calls the UMW police to see to whom the car is registered.

According to the ordinance, vehicles are prohibited from parking on the designated city streets if they are registered to a current UMW student or "a person residing at the same address as that of a person currently enrolled as a commuting student."

I understand that the city has a duty to look out for its residents, but what about the students who live here nine months of the year?

We all know that the citizens of



Courtesy of <http://www.flickr.com/photos/zen/2429797457/sizes/o/>

Fredericksburg aren't generally too fond of the university students, but this kind of blatant discrimination seems unlawful.

How is it acceptable for an entire group of people to be banned from parking on city streets due to their en-

rollment status at a university?

Technically the city controls the streets, but I think everyone can agree that UMW plays a large role in this city. This isn't an issue of entitlement, but, rather, equality.

Certainly I should follow the rules

and hand over my money in exchange for a bright red sticker that allows me to park in one of the three small commuter lots around campus, but that seems about as wasteful as a \$30,000 bookshelf.

Outside the Fence

BY ANNE ELDON
Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, DC

Four Dead, Five Wounded in DC Shooting

On Tuesday night in Southeast D.C., an apparent drive-by shooting killed four and wounded at least five in one of the deadliest shootings the District has seen in years. Gunshots were heard at approximately 7:30 p.m., claiming six men and three women as victims. A man who was near the scene at the time of the shooting said, "All I saw was bodies dropping. It was like Vietnam." Police officers followed the van suspected of the shootings into Prince George's County, where two police cars crashed causing minor injuries for the four D.C. officers in the two cars, according to authorities. Officials have reported that three people were arrested and a weapon was recovered, though further details are currently unknown. (The Washington Post, March 31, 2010)

NEW YORK

Nissan Introduces Battery-Powered Car

Nissan announced Tuesday the debut of their first electrical car, the Leaf. The car is priced at \$25,000, which has surprised many people in the industry due to its "relative affordability". The car must be recharged after 100 miles with a home charging dock. However, Nissan said that based on gasoline priced \$3 per gallon and electricity at 11 cents per kilowatt-hour, the energy costs for electric cars like the Leaf are approximately a sixth of a compact gasoline car. So far, Nissan has received interest from 81,000 people in the U.S. During his presidential campaign, Obama promised to put one million electrical cars on the market by 2015. The Leaf and the similar product from General Motors, the Chevrolet Volt, are expected to be sold later this year. (The Washington Post, March 30, 2010)

MOSCOW

37 Killed in Suicide Bombings

On Monday, March 29, at least 37 people were killed and dozens more were injured in the midst of two suspected suicide bombings on the metro. The first bomb went off at the Lubyanka station at 8 a.m., killing 14 people on the train and 11 on the platform. Approximately 30 minutes later, another bomb was detonated at the Park Kultury station, killing 15 people and injuring 10 others. According to Russian authorities, these have been declared "terrorist" incidents with women as the bombers. In 2004 there were two similar attacks, with Moscow officials blaming Chechen rebels. A spokesman for Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said he is "receiving detailed information from security agencies and social services about the work on helping the victims." (adnkronosinternational.com, March 29, 2010)

More Suicide Bombers Attack in Russia

Following the bombing on Monday, two more suicide bombers killed at least a dozen people and injured 23 more in Dagestan, a region where people with ties to and Islamist insurgency have been known to cause panic almost daily with shootings and bombings. Putin said the most recent attack may be linked to the same group as the suicide bombers from the attacks on Monday. (The Washington Post, March 31, 2010)

In 10 Years, More Savings

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paying for it by myself, it's nice to know that I won't just get what the banks will allow me."

"It's a great idea for the government to stop shady bank practices and lend directly," senior Rachel Blier said.

Senior Sean Brock has had firsthand experience with government lending and has found satisfactory results.

"When I first took out financial aid it was going through Wachovia," Brock said. "Wachovia ended up selling it to the government. I have been happier with their service through the government, though. It saves money too, so I'm all for it."

However, not all students look upon the bill favorably. Sophomore Alex Green thinks the bill gives the government too much power over loan seekers.

"I have mixed feelings," Green said. "If I need a loan, I'll be a little upset. I kind of hate the government controlling everything. Big government creeps me out."



Students with the Virginia Organizing Project sell baked goods at Ball Circle yesterday. VOP wants the state to "raise revenue to address the budget shortfall," according to a flyer.

Under Bill, Students Can Stay on Parents' Plan Until Age 26

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graduation.

Mary Washington students possess a wide variety of opinions concerning the new legislation and its effects.

Many students expressed support for the bill.

"It's a good thing," senior Maryanne Mackey said. "I'm especially excited that I don't have to worry about being kicked off my parents' plan until I'm 26. It's pretty impressive considering different presidents have been trying to fix health care for decades."

"Thank God for the 'reform' part," senior Jackie Horn said. "My close friend was kicked off her parents' insurance because she turned 25, now she can never get insurance again because her emotional issues as a teenager count as a pre-existing condition."

"I think it's about time we started moving towards what is visibly working in other countries," freshman Marina Freckman said. "I am personally very excited about the passing of the health care bill."

Senior Jon Shields, president of UMW Young Democrats, was confident

of student support.

"Most students are thrilled to see Obama deliver on what he promised," Shields said. "Our generation has the most at stake when it comes to fixing a failed sector of our economy."

Other students said they supported the

I do think the bill is too watered down and we need to continue to push for a public option."

Meanwhile, some students conveyed their skepticism about the bill.

"I don't trust any bill whose deciding votes were obtained at the last minute," junior Jillian Wennberg said.

"I'm a Libertarian," senior Rachel Nash said. "So I'd really rather the government just leave me the hell alone. If people want health insurance, they need to get a job that provides health insurance."

"I think the long term effects will be more detrimental than people realize," senior Ashley Davis said.

"If it's so great, why are Obama, his family and congress exempt?"

Senior Erica Gouse, chair of the UMW College Republicans, was highly skeptical of the new legislation.

"The health care bill recently passed by Congress and signed by President Obama into law is so costly that it is ironically not even worth the 2,800 pages it is written on," Gouse said. "America will be forced to cut jobs in order to cope with their new expenses."

The health care bill will:

- provide 32 million uninsured people with insurance through local insurance exchanges
- increase Medicaid funding
- give tax credits to individuals, families and small businesses
- increase tax increases for high-income earners
- cut Medicare
- mandate that everyone have health insurance
- allow students to stay on their parents' insurance plans until they are 26-years-old

Information taken from CBS News

bill, but expressed some misgivings.

"I am glad that the legislation passed, but disappointed that it wasn't a bipartisan effort," sophomore James Sennett said. "I think that to really have effective change it has to come from both sides."

"I'm extremely excited that the bill passed," junior Ian Huff said. "I'm happy with the changes it will bring, but

Low Voter Turnout a Challenge for Candidates

ELECTIONS, page 2

Judicial Review Board, but this year's election left vacant spots for some classes, including the Judicial Review Board class of 2013, 2012 and the Honor Council class of 2011. Both Honor Council and Judicial Review Board said they were uncertain of when follow-up elections would take place.

Though these election positions were uncontested, many candidates had to compete against their classmates.

Gaining recognition for a student's campaign can be challenging because of a statistically low voter turnout for elections and restrictions placed on student campaign efforts by the UMW SGA constitution.

The constitution limits students to 45 pieces of total campaign material, banners that can only be displayed in front of Lee Hall and prevents the use of Facebook groups to help promote students for election. Many students prefer to campaign through word of mouth, and feel that students are likely to vote only for friends or not at all.

"Only 20 to 25 percent of students vote [in the elections]," Judicial Review Board President Brian DeMott said. "Usually the ones voting are the ones that are well informed, or have friends who are running. I think more people would tend to vote if they knew what the governing bodies do."

Some students said that the low voter turnout is a response to feeling uninformed about candidates and the organizations for which they are running.

Sophomore Nani Moskow said that she would probably not vote in the elections.

"I don't know much about the candidates," Moskow said. "It's safer not to vote at all than to vote for someone I don't know."

Freshman Kerry Busby agreed that many students are unsure of how the elections will impact them.

"Some people don't know specifically how it affects them," she said. "Class Council should try to get more of the student body involved with their campaigning. They should stress what Class Council has done."

The Class Council, responsible for planning traditional campus events such as Devil-Goat Day, Junior Ring Week and Grad Ball, elects four students per class for the positions of president, vice president, secretary/treasurer and promotions director.

The Honor Council handles student breaches of the honor code. The Judicial Review Board holds student hearings for violations of quiet hours, fire inci-

dents, noise violations and holds annual campus events like Drench the Bench.

"As students they have a right to pick the representatives of their class,"

said Jennifer Crystle, president of the Class Council class of 2013. "It's a way to put their two cents in and to get the changes they want. I'm always willing

to listen to people's ideas, but if they don't vote, we don't know."

Election Results

Judicial Review Board

Class of 2011: Alex Morris, Travis Bice, Angelica Smith, Maarij Baig, Nick Jesionka

Class of 2012: Evan Butler, Mohammed Mesabahi, Prarthana Gurung

Class of 2013: Julia Pannewitz, Emily Sherman, Abigail Yirrah

Honor Council

Class of 2011: Maarij Baig, Travis Bice, Alexander Morris, Mercy Furey

Class of 2012: Aaron McPherson, Stacy Whitehouse, Caitlin Brady, Lea McLaughlin, Matthew Baldwin

Class of 2013: David Klein, Zandi Larmour, Kaitlyn Crotty, Kerry Haddock, Stephanie Hall

Class Council

Class of 2011: President--Austin Bartenstein; Vice President--Sara Lowdon or McKenna Lehman; Secretary/Treasurer--Mike Kappert; Promotions Director--Samantha Crouse or Katey Kerns

Class of 2012: President--Ashley Nixon; Vice President--Nick DeSarno; Secretary/Treasurer: Luisa Dispenzire; Promotions Director: Austin Clark

Class of 2013: President--Jen Crystle; Vice President--Kate Johnson; Secretary/Treasurer: Amanda Buckner; Promotions Director--Alyssa Clifford

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Staff Writer

Had Frances Benjamin Johnston been a student at UMW, she might have filled her class schedule with art and photography courses.

But Johnston pursued her academic education during the 1880s at the Academie Julian in Paris many years before UMW opened its gates as the State Normal and Industrial School for Women in 1908.

Nineteen years later, after abandoning a career in illustration to become a photojournalist, Johnston's link to UMW developed when a local couple privately funded her photographic survey of Fredericksburg in 1927.

Nearly 250 images of area buildings, residences and gardens resulted from her lens work, including shots featuring Gari Melchers Home and Studio at Belmont.

Belmont, which opened to the public in 1975 under the administration of UMW, is currently hosting a new exhibition featuring the photographer's images.

"Belmont Through a Lens: Photographs by Frances Benjamin Johnston," is a display of 18 historic photos of the country house and its 28 acres.

Belmont is the former residence of impressionist painter Gari Melchers and his wife, Corinne, who purchased the property in 1916.

Described on an exhibit information sheet as a pioneer of early twentieth-century photography as a woman in a role typically reserved for men, Johnston's portfolio included celebrity portraiture, estates and gardens and the vernacular architecture of the American South.

The latter three subjects are on display in Johnston's snapshots of Belmont, which feature exterior shots of the house from several angles, interior shots of its furnished rooms and the property's gardens.

In 1929, the full collection of Johnston's photographic survey of Fredericksburg was displayed in Fredericksburg's Town Hall.

An introductory film that precedes complete tours of Belmont and its four-gallery studio outlines the couple's history and Melcher's art, which

is featured in such institutions as the Library Of Congress, Detroit Public Library and Missouri State Capital.

Melchers, a Detroit native, studied drawing and painting in Germany before moving to Paris at the age of 21 in 1881.

At the beginning of his career, his paintings focused on the daily life of rural peasants.

He was a grand prizewinner at the Universal Exposition in Paris, garnering him an international reputation. Several major award and medal wins followed.

After his marriage to Corinne, his

focus shifted to domestic scenes of middle class women and children.

The couple decided to move to the United States with the advent of World War I, setting up a studio in New York City.

They also purchased Belmont, decorating its room with antiques and furniture from their former life in Europe, where Melchers had been a professor of art at the Ducal Academy of Art in Weimar, Germany.

Melchers constructed a studio and gallery adjacent to the house in 1924, which now houses exhibits of his paintings and special shows, including

"Belmont Through a Lens."

Ten years after Gari's death in 1932, Corinne deeded the property and its furnishings to the state of Virginia as a memorial to her husband and his art.

Today, the house and studio remain intact with the couple's original possessions and artwork to reflect the estate's appearance of the 1920s, offering modern day visitors the chance to explore the same colorful environment depicted in Johnston's historic black and white photographs. Johnston's images also are on display for the public through the Freder-

icksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center's exhibition, "History Through a Lens: The Photographs of Frances Benjamin Johnston," which runs concurrently with the Belmont exhibition through June 20.

Belmont offers current UMW staff and students free admission, while the Fredericksburg Area Museum and Cultural Center offers students discounted admission with student identification.

Visitors to either exhibit may present their admission ticket at the other exhibit to receive discounted entry.



Courtesy of Michelle Crow-Dolby

One of Frances Benjamin Johnston's photos on display at Gari Melchers Home and Studio at Belmont.

THAT'S WHAT SHE SAID....

A Student's Guide to Parking and Tickets at UMW.

By JORDAN KROLL
Staff Writer

According to the Fredericksburg municipal code, UMW commuter students aren't allowed to park on the streets surrounding campus.

Students are prohibited from parking anywhere from Stafford Avenue to Kenmore Avenue and Hanover Street to Grove Ave., meaning that if you commute to school, you have to buy a \$200 parking pass or face the wrath of the Fredericksburg Police Department's parking enforcement officer.

We've all seen the "No UMW Students" and "Resident Permit Required" signs that line certain streets around campus, but I, like many of my friends who also commute, always assumed that if there was no sign on the street, then there was no problem with me parking there.

I also figured that if I don't have any UMW paraphernalia on my car, they have no way of knowing I'm a student and, therefore, no proof that I shouldn't be parking there.

Given the three parking tickets I've accumulated in just as many months, it's safe to assume I was wrong.

As we learned in various life-altering lectures during orientation week, the absence of a no does not automatically mean yes, just as the absence of

signs prohibiting students from parking on various streets doesn't mean we can park there.

If only the police were as good at preventing rape as they are at protecting the residents of Fredericksburg from students who park on their precious streets.

When I went to contest one of my tickets, the officer I spoke with told me how one gets awarded one of these lovely pink slips tucked beneath their windshield wipers.

Apparently residents who live on any of the previously mentioned streets can call the Fredericksburg police when they see someone who looks like a student parking his or her car and walking towards school.

The parking officer comes out and if there is nothing on the car indicating whether or not it belongs to a student, the officer calls the UMW police to see to whom the car is registered.

According to the ordinance, vehicles are prohibited from parking on the designated city streets if they are registered to a current UMW student or "a person residing at the same address as that of a person currently enrolled as a commuting student."

I understand that the city has a duty to look out for its residents, but what about the students who live here nine months of the year?

We all know that the citizens of



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Fredericksburg aren't generally too fond of the university students, but this kind of blatant discrimination seems unlawful.

How is it acceptable for an entire group of people to be banned from parking on city streets due to their en-

rollment status at a university?

Technically the city controls the streets, but I think everyone can agree that UMW plays a large role in this city. This isn't an issue of entitlement, but, rather, equality.

Certainly I should follow the rules

and hand over my money in exchange for a bright red sticker that allows me to park in one of the three small commuter lots around campus, but that seems about as wasteful as a \$30,000 bookshelf.

Outside the Fence

By ANNE ELDER
Staff Writer

WASHINGTON, DC

Four Dead, Five Wounded in DC Shooting

On Tuesday night in Southeast D.C., an apparent drive-by shooting killed four and wounded at least five in one of the deadliest shootings the District has seen in years. Gunshots were heard at approximately 7:30 p.m., claiming six men and three women as victims. A man who was near the scene at the time of the shooting said, "All I saw was bodies dropping. It was like Vietnam." Police officers followed the van suspected of the shootings into Prince George's County, where two police cars crashed causing minor injuries for the four D.C. officers in the two cars, according to authorities. Officials have reported that three people were arrested and a weapon was recovered, though further details are currently unknown. (The Washington Post, March 31, 2010)

NEW YORK

Nissan Introduces Battery-Powered Car

Nissan announced Tuesday the debut of their first electrical car, the Leaf. The car is priced at \$25,000, which has surprised many people in the industry due to its "relative affordability". The car must be recharged after 100 miles with a home charging dock. However, Nissan said that based on gasoline priced \$3 per gallon and electricity at 11 cents per kilowatt-hour, the energy costs for electric cars like the Leaf are approximately a sixth of a compact gasoline car. So far, Nissan has received interest from 81,000 people in the U.S. During his presidential campaign, Obama promised to put one million electrical cars on the market by 2015. The Leaf and the similar product from General Motors, the Chevrolet Volt, are expected to be sold later this year. (The Washington Post, March 30, 2010)

MOSCOW

37 Killed in Suicide Bombings

On Monday, March 29, at least 37 people were killed and dozens more were injured in the midst of two suspected suicide bombings on the metro. The first bomb went off at the Lubyanka station at 8 a.m., killing 14 people on the train and 11 on the platform. Approximately 30 minutes later, another bomb was detonated at the Park Kultury station, killing 15 people and injuring 10 others. According to Russian authorities, these have been declared "terrorist" incidents with women as the bombers. In 2004 there were two similar attacks, with Moscow officials blaming Chechen rebels. A spokesman for Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said he is "receiving detailed information from security agencies and social services about the work on helping the victims." (adnkronosinternational.com, March 29, 2010)

More Suicide Bombers Attack in Russia

Following the bombing on Monday, two more suicide bombers killed at least a dozen people and injured 23 more in Dagestan, a region where people with ties to and Islamist insurgency have been known to cause panic almost daily with shootings and bombings. Putin said the most recent attack may be linked to the same group as the suicide bombers from the attacks on Monday. (The Washington Post, March 31, 2010)

In 10 Years, More Savings

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paying for it by myself, it's nice to know that I won't just get what the banks will allow me."

"It's a great idea for the government to stop shady bank practices and lend directly," senior Rachel Blier said.

Senior Sean Brock has had firsthand experience with government lending and has found satisfactory results.

"When I first took out financial aid it was going through Wachovia," Brock said. "Wachovia ended up selling it to the government. I have been happier with their service through the government, though. It saves money too, so I'm all for it."

However, not all students look upon the bill favorably. Sophomore Alex Green thinks the bill gives the government too much power over loan seekers.

"I have mixed feelings," Green said. "If I need a loan, I'll be a little upset. I kind of hate the government controlling everything. Big government creeps me out."



Students with the Virginia Organizing Project sell baked goods at Ball Circle yesterday. VOP wants the state to "raise revenue to address the budget shortfall," according to a flyer.

Under Bill, Students Can Stay on Parents' Plan Until Age 26

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graduation.

Mary Washington students possess a wide variety of opinions concerning the new legislation and its effects.

Many students expressed support for the bill.

"It's a good thing," senior Maryanne Mackey said. "I'm especially excited that I don't have to worry about being kicked off my parents' plan until I'm 26. It's pretty impressive considering different presidents have been trying to fix health care for decades."

"Thank God for the 'reform' part," senior Jackie Horn said. "My close friend was kicked off her parents' insurance because she turned 25, now she can never get insurance again because her emotional issues as a teenager count as a pre-existing condition."

"I think it's about time we started moving towards what is visibly working in other countries," freshman Marina Freckman said. "I am personally very excited about the passing of the health care bill."

Senior Jon Shields, president of UMW Young Democrats, was confident

of student support.

"Most students are thrilled to see Obama deliver on what he promised," Shields said. "Our generation has the most at stake when it comes to fixing a failed sector of our economy."

Other students said they supported the

I do think the bill is too watered down and we need to continue to push for a public option."

Meanwhile, some students conveyed their skepticism about the bill.

"I don't trust any bill whose deciding votes were obtained at the last minute," junior Jillian Weinberg said.

"I'm a Libertarian," senior Rachel Nash said. "So I'd really rather the government just leave me the hell alone. If people want health insurance, they need to get a job that provides health insurance."

"I think the long term effects will be more detrimental than people realize," senior Ashley Davis said. "If it's so great, why are Obama, his family and congress exempt?"

Senior Erica Gouse, chair of the UMW College Republicans, was highly skeptical of the new legislation.

"The health care bill recently passed by Congress and signed by President Obama into law is so costly that it is ironically not even worth the 2,800 pages it is written on," Gouse said. "America will be forced to cut jobs in order to cope with their new expenses."

The health care bill will:

- provide 32 million uninsured people with insurance through local insurance exchanges
- increase Medicaid funding
- give tax credits to individuals, families and small businesses
- increase tax increases for high-income earners
- cut Medicare
- mandate that everyone have health insurance
- allow students to stay on their parents' insurance plans until they are 26-years-old

Information taken from CBS News

bill, but expressed some misgivings.

"I am glad that the legislation passed, but disappointed that it wasn't a bipartisan effort," sophomore James Sennett said. "I think that to really have effective change it has to come from both sides."

"I'm extremely excited that the bill passed," junior Ian Huff said. "I'm happy with the changes it will bring, but

Low Voter Turnout a Challenge for Candidates

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Judicial Review Board, but this year's election left vacant spots for some classes, including the Judicial Review Board class of 2013, 2012 and the Honor Council class of 2011. Both Honor Council and Judicial Review Board said they were uncertain of when follow-up elections would take place.

Though these election positions were uncontested, many candidates had to compete against their classmates.

Gaining recognition for a student's campaign can be challenging because of a statistically low voter turnout for elections and restrictions placed on student campaign efforts by the UMW SGA constitution.

The constitution limits students to 45 pieces of total campaign material, banners that can only be displayed in front of Lee Hall and prevents the use of Facebook groups to help promote students for election. Many students prefer to campaign through word of mouth, and feel that students are likely to vote only for friends or not at all.

"Only 20 to 25 percent of students vote [in the elections]," Judicial Review Board President Brian DeMott said. "Usually the ones voting are the ones that are well informed, or have friends who are running. I think more people would tend to vote if they knew what the governing bodies do."

Some students said that the low voter turnout is a response to feeling uninformed about candidates and the organizations for which they are running.

Sophomore Nani Moskow said that she would probably not vote in the elections.

"I don't know much about the candidates," Moskow said. "It's safer not to vote at all than to vote for someone I don't know."

Freshman Kerry Busby agreed that many students are unsure of how the elections will impact them.

"Some people don't know specifically how it affects them," she said. "Class Council should try to get more of the student body involved with their campaigning. They should stress what Class Council has done."

The Class Council, responsible for planning traditional campus events such as Devil-Gout Day, Junior Ring Week and Grad Ball, elects four students per class for the positions of president, vice president, secretary/treasurer and promotions director.

The Honor Council handles student breaches of the honor code. The Judicial Review Board holds student hearings for violations of quiet hours, fire inci-

dents, noise violations and holds annual campus events like Drench the Bench.

"As students they have a right to pick the representatives of their class,"

said Jennifer Crystle, president of the Class Council class of 2013. "It's a way to put their two cents in and to get the changes they want. I'm always willing

to listen to people's ideas, but if they don't vote, we don't know."

Election Results

Judicial Review Board

Class of 2011: Alex Morris, Travis Bice, Angelica Smith, Maarij Baig, Nick Jesionka

Class of 2012: Evan Butler, Mohammed Mesabahi, Prarthana Gurung

Class of 2013: Julia Pannewitz, Emily Sherman, Abigail Yirrah

Honor Council

Class of 2011: Maarij Baig, Travis Bice, Alexander Morris, Mercy Furey

Class of 2012: Aaron McPherson, Stacy Whitehouse, Caitlin Brady, Lea McLaughlin, Matthew Baldwin

Class of 2013: David Klein, Zandi Larmour, Kaitlyn Crotty, Kerry Haddock, Stephanie Hall

Class Council

Class of 2011: President--Austin Bartenstein; Vice President--Sara Lowdon or McKenna Lehman;

Secretary/Treasurer--Mike Kappert; Promotions Director--Samantha Crouse or Katey Kerns

Class of 2012: President--Ashley Nixon; Vice President--Nick DeSarno; Secretary/Treasurer: Luisa Dispenzire; Promotions Director: Austin Clark

Class of 2013: President--Jen Crystle; Vice President--Kate Johnson; Secretary/Treasurer: Amanda Buckner; Promotions Director--Alyssa Clifford



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It is there that I learned Latin and verse.
I had to leave for all the coin was spent.

The next few years of life have records lost.
I married and with Anne had children three.
I wrote for the theatre and shared the cost,
Then because of age the Earth I did leave.

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Tuesday, April 6

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10 p.m. *Bend It Like Beckham*
Ball Circle

Wednesday, April 7

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The Green Boys
Ball Circle 2-6 p.m.

Thursday, April 8

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Sports

Major League Baseball Preview

Spring is here, and opening day of the MLB season is just a few days away. With the condensed space in the print edition, only the projected Division winners and Wild Card teams will be posted here, but full analysis of every team and expanded division predictions will be available on the *Bullet* website.

AL East Champs - New York Yankees: New York looked to improve their starting rotation, so they went out and re-acquired SP Javier Vazquez, who was with the team from 2004-2006, from Atlanta. Vazquez had a career year a season ago, and he will slide into a rotation that already includes CC Sabathia and AJ Burnett. The bullpen looks good once again for the Yankees. RP Joba Chamberlain moves back to the bullpen, where he thrived a couple of seasons ago, to presumably serve as the setup man once again for the greatest closer ever, Mariano Rivera. But the strength for

AL East title and contend for their second World Series crown in as many years.

AL Central Champs - Chicago White Sox: SP Jake Peavy, 2B Gordon Beckham and LF Carlos Quentin will bring these guys the 2010 division title. There is some nasty hitting here that got hamstrung by injuries in 2009, but with a healthy squad, look for them to compete and take the title in a weak division. Mark Buehrle will be another strong arm in the rotation, with a .582 career win percentage and 200-IP average. John Danks turned in another 200 IP and 13 wins last year, while Gavin Floyd was just short of 200 IP in an 11-11 season. While Bobby Jenks' save totals have dropped in the last few seasons, the offense getting to the 9th inning will hopefully make his life a little easier. In a division without Joe Nathan for a year, and a team with home run threats like Paul Konerko and Quentin, look for the White Sox to take the Central.

AL West Champs - Los Angeles Angels:

The Angels possess a very solid lineup with the likes of CF Torii Hunter, RF Bobby Abreu, and the fresh breakout season of 1B Kendry Morales. Hunter is also a nine-time Gold Glove winner, having won the award the last nine seasons in the outfield. Abreu may be getting older, but he still hit almost 300 last year and stole 30 bases. The Angels made a few great offseason moves in signing former Yankee DH Hideki Matsui and acquiring pitchers Joel Píñero and Fernando Rodney. They boast one of the deepest starting pitching rotations led by Jered Weaver, with five pitchers who are completely capable of winning 15 games. With the acquisition of Rodney, who closed for the Detroit Tigers last year, the Angels provide a fantastic setup man for closer Brian Fuentes and have an alternative option should Fuentes struggle.

NL East Champs - Philadelphia Phillies:

This year brings high expectations for many teams in the NL East but none higher than for the Phillies. Fresh off a very active offseason in which they acquired the perennial Cy Young candidate, Roy Halladay, anything short than a trip to the World Series would be a disappointment for Phillies fans: The Phillies' strength is their powerhouse lineup, with sluggers like Ryan Howard, Chase Utley and Jayson Werth lurking in the middle of the order. Their rotation should be very strong, as the addition of Halladay is a huge boost to a rotation that already touted a World Series

MVP in SP Cole Hamels. The back end of the bullpen is where Philadelphia needs consistency. After closer Brad Lidge had one of the best seasons of his career two seasons ago, this past year saw a different pitcher as Lidge was incredibly inconsistent. Young RP Ryan Madson is the closer-in-waiting should Lidge struggle again, but the 9th inning looks as though it could be a roller-coaster ride again for Phillies fans. Despite that weakness, Philadelphia is simply too talented everywhere else not to win the NL East.

NL Central Champs - St. Louis Cardinals:

2009 saw the Cardinals hit .263 as a team, which ranked 4th best in the NL and 12th in all of baseball. Having re-signed slugging outfielder Matt Holliday in the offseason to help protect star 1B Albert Pujols, the lineup looks formidable once again. Their starting pitching should also be a strength once again. The Cardinals had a team ERA of 3.66 a season ago, which was fourth best in the majors. The top of their rotation has Chris Carpenter, Adam Wainwright and Adam Lohse, which is arguably the best 1-2-3 in baseball. With RP Ryan Franklin back in the closer role after snagging his first career all-star selection in 2009, the bullpen looks secure as well. The Cardinals have all the tools to make a deep playoff run in 2010.

NL West Champs - Colorado Rockies:

Colorado is one of the up-and-coming teams in the majors. The Rockies have a strong lineup that touts a young superstar in SS Troy Tulowitzki, a speedster at the top of the order in CF Dexter Fowler, and the experience of veteran 1B Todd Helton. The pitching staff is much better than one would expect, as the humidifier has allowed good pitchers to perform just fine in Coors Field. SP Ubaldo Jimenez is a legitimate No. 1 starter and Aaron Cook and Jorge De La Rosa are decent middle-of-the-rotation guys. The bullpen looked very strong heading into the season, but then it was announced that closer Huston Street is likely to start the season on the DL with a shoulder injury. Despite that, the Rockies should be able to weather



Courtesy of the Associated Press

Yankees' pitcher CC Sabathia won a World Series title in his first season in New York and will look to repeat this year.

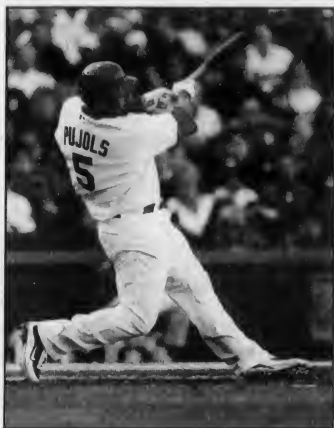
the storm without Street, and their powerful lineup will single handedly win them games. A talented Dodgers team will contend in the NL West as well, but it can't be overlooked that Colorado was 74-42 once manager Jim Tracy took over last season. With Tracy in tow for the entire year in 2010 and with Jimenez and Tulowitzki having another year of development under their belts, the Rockies are the team to beat in the NL West.

AL Wild Card - Boston Red Sox: Talks of their offensive decline are vastly exaggerated, as the Red Sox still have a formidable 3-4 duo in C Victor Martinez and 1B Kevin Youkilis. However, great starting pitching is Boston's forte. Their rotation has three studs in Josh Beckett, Jon Lester and John Lackey, and that trio gives Boston a chance to make a run in the postseason.

NL Wild Card - Los Angeles Dodgers: They have a very strong lineup with rising star CF Matt Kemp and future Hall of Fame LF Manny Ramirez being the main cogs. Talented SP Clayton Kershaw could take the next step this year and become a superstar, which would certainly help the Dodgers chances. But it's their hitting that will make them a dangerous team in the playoffs.

Zach Moretti, Nick Nelson, Jonathan Wigginton, and Daniel Piccolo contributed to this story.

For an extended MLB Preview, check us out online @ umwbulet.com



Courtesy of the Associated Press

St. Louis 1B Albert Pujols won the NL MVP award last year, but he will look to capture his first World Series title in 2010.

New York is still their potent lineup. The Bronx Bombers still have legendary SS Derek Jeter along with the great 1-2 punch of 1B Mark Teixeira and 3B Alex Rodriguez in the middle of the order. The Yankees also added the power and speed of CF Curtis Granderson to their lineup along with the on-base machine DH Nick Johnson. The defending champs look strong enough to claim another

Roy Halladay, anything short than a trip to the World Series would be a disappointment for Phillies fans: The Phillies' strength is their powerhouse lineup, with sluggers like Ryan Howard, Chase Utley and Jayson Werth lurking in the middle of the order. Their rotation should be very strong, as the addition of Halladay is a huge boost to a rotation that already touted a World Series

UMW Scoreboard

Baseball: W 1-0 vs. Bridgewater College, W 4-3 vs. Middle College, W 14-3 vs. Guilford College, W 18-8 vs. Randolph-Macon College

Softball: 1-5-1 (L 2-10 vs. Shenandoah University, 1-4-4 vs. Shenandoah University, L 0-4 vs. York College, W 2-0 vs. York College, L 1-9 vs. Bridgewater College, L 2-10 vs. Christopher Newport University, L 2-10 vs. CNU)

Men's Lacrosse: 0-1 (L 4-11 vs. Stevenson University)

Women's Lacrosse: 2-0 (W 20-6 vs. Marymount University, W 14-6 vs. Stevenson University)

Men's Tennis: 0-2 (L 3-6 vs. University of Maryland, L 3-5 vs. Carnegie-Mellon University)

Women's Tennis: 2-0 (L 0-4 vs. University of Maryland, L 0-4 vs. University of Maryland)

Track & Field Impresses

By **NICK NELSON**
Staff Writer

The University of Mary Washington's track team laced up their sneakers yet again last Saturday, competing in the Towson University Invitational in Towson, Md.

There were several strong individual performances by both the men's and women's teams.

Sophomore Kyle Anderson achieved a first-place finish in the 10,000 meter competition, finishing with a time of 33:52.79, with freshman Sean Healy following at a close second with a time of 34:42.69. In the 800 meter sprint, sophomore Bobby Tillett finished first with a 1:59.10 time, with junior Sean Herlihy notching a second-place finish in the hurdles at 58.98 seconds.

On the field side, junior Matt Geller placed third in the shot put at 45 feet, 9.75 inches. Senior Nate Boyarsky had a third-place finish in the javelin throw at 178 feet, 5 inches.

Other notable individual performances were made by senior Matt Cash with a third-place finish in the 1,500 meter sprint at 4:04.20 and senior Jason Driscoll who placed third in the 5,000 meters at 15:39.63.

Head coach Stan Soper was impressed by the performances of both the men's and women's teams.

"I am very happy with the improvement for both the men and the women," Soper said. "We have had continual progress, and there has been an overall progression. With better weather our sprinting will improve. We've had very little opportunity to practice our sprinting because of the weather. We need good weather to push a little more."

This was the first track meet for the Eagles following the UMW-hosted Battle-ground relays, which were held on March 20 and featured many first-place finishes for the school. The Eagles had first-place finishes in the women's 4x800 relay, the

4x100 relay, the 4x200 relay, the 4x400 relay, and the distance relay. The men's side also saw victories from Geller in the hammer throw, the 4x800 relay, the 300-meter steeplechase and the 4x400 relay.

Soper was very clear about the most important factor in his team's success.

"This is true for any division-III team but dedication and hard work," Soper said. "The distance teams have practiced since late summer, and the sprinters since late fall. They enjoy what they do, and they enjoy who they're doing it with. They're in it for the long haul, and it's not always easy to keep your focus."

Soper was equally succinct about the team's goals from here on out.

"We have a goal not just to prepare for the conference championship but to win the conference championship," Soper said. "We want every individual performance to improve. We have to get ready for April 17."

The Eagles next performance will take place in the Duke University invitational this weekend in Durham, N.C. The Capital Athletic Conference championships will take place on April 17.



Courtesy of Clint Olsen

UMW Track & Field performed well in the Towson Invitational, but the team has their eyes sights set on the CAC Championships.

Sports

Eagles' Baseball Defeats Ithaca 8-4

By **MADALYN CROWELL**
Staff Writer

The Mary Washington men's baseball team pulled out an exciting victory over Ithaca College this past Saturday afternoon at Dickinson Stadium. The Eagles won the game 8-4 and improved their overall record to 11-5 on the season.

"Going into the game we knew that Ithaca was going to be a tough team to beat," sophomore third

baseman Santino Rosanova said. "They are usually ranked nationally and always have a good team."

Rosanova led the Eagles at the plate against the Bombers, as he went 3-4 with two runs and two RBI. However, UMW had a balanced offensive attack in the game, as eight of the nine starters got at least one hit.

"The hitters have been doing a really good job of scoring runs this year and have even bailed the pitchers out in some cases," junior pitcher Zach Hendrix said. "But overall we are playing well and I'm excited to see how far we can go this year."

After a scoreless first inning, Ithaca scored four runs in the second, highlighted by Bombers' sophomore third baseman Mike Preite's RBI double. But the Eagles responded in the bottom half of the inning, when senior catcher Nick Espinosa's RBI double started the scoring for UMW. The Eagles

went on to score three runs in the second to cut Ithaca's lead to 4-3.

UMW trailed until the sixth inning, when they added another three runs to the board to take a 6-4 lead. The Eagles loaded the bases with no outs in the inning and took advantage with back to back RBI singles by senior outfielder Alex Howell and Rosanova. Another run crossed the plate on an RBI groundout by designated hitter Shane Sixsmith.

Mary Washington tacked on two more runs in the bottom of the eighth, with Rosanova driving in another run on an RBI single and junior shortstop Jackson Clement adding an RBI knock himself.

After giving up four runs (three earned) in the second inning, UMW freshman pitcher Zach Goodwyn settled down as he allowed just two hits and no runs in his remaining four innings of work. Goodwyn recorded three strikeouts in the game and picked up his second win of the season.

"Zach Goodwyn started the game on the mound for us and gave us a solid six innings," Hendrix said. "But Ryan Engelking came in and really closed the door on any chances they had of coming back."

Engelking was indeed impressive in his three innings of work, as he gave up just two hits and allowed no runs to shut the door on the Bombers and secure the UMW victory.

Since the Ithaca game, the Eagles have had a pair of road games against Gallaudet

University and Randolph-Macon College. UMW defeated CAC foe Gallaudet 14-3 and they topped Randolph-Macon 18-8. The Eagles have now won five straight, and they have improved to 13-5 on the year, but they still have a few goals left.

"We really want to beat Salisbury this year and win the CAC tournament," Hendrix said. "We haven't been to regionals in a few years, and we really want to get there this year. Hopefully we can keep improving throughout the rest of the season and we can get to the regional tournament."



Courtesy of Clint Offen

Junior Jackson Clement was part of a balanced UMW offensive attack, as eight of the nine Eagles' starters tallied at least one hit in the 8-4 win.

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Women's Lax Knocks Off Stevenson

Lady Eagles Coast Past No. 19 Mustangs With a 14-6 Win

By **MORGAN THOMPSON**
Staff Writer

The University of Mary Washington women's lacrosse team won an important game this past Saturday with a 14-6 victory over Stevenson University. The Lady Eagles have had a strong season overall, as the victory improved their CAC record to 5-0 and their overall record to 7-2.

"I am very proud of my team. We beat another top 20 team. We are working hard and performing well," Head Coach Dana Hall said. "It was a whole team effort. The offense played well; the defense played as a unit, forcing bad shots; and freshman keeper Leigh Ann Redefer came up with huge saves."

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Stevenson got on the scoreboard first, when the Mustangs netted the first goal not even three minutes into the game. However, the Eagles responded well, as UMW exploded for five unanswered goals in just over 10 minutes of game action. Sophomore All-American Katherine Kennedy and senior co-captain Brittany Butler scored a pair of goals during the Eagles scoring binge, and sophomore Allie Kimmelman added the other goal as UMW took a 5-1 advantage with just under 14 minutes to play in the first half.

After a Stevenson goal ended the run of consecutive goals from the home team, the Eagles answered once again as sophomore attacker Lauren Callison and junior attacker Katie Wallis each had shots end up in the back of the net to extend the UMW lead up to five goals. Each team added another goal before the intermission, where UMW held an 8-3 lead.

"We followed the game plan," Hall said. "This was a team that we knew was quick and strong who liked going one-on-one. We shut down the challenges."

The Eagles came out strong after the break, as UMW scored six of the first seven goals of the half to take a commanding 14-4 lead. Stevenson tacked on a couple of runs late, but UMW still won comfortably 14-6.

The Mustangs' Kelli Battista had a great game in the defeat, accounting for four points (two goals and two assists) of her team's six total points in the game.

Kennedy led the UMW charge over Stevenson, tallying six points (five goals and one assist). Butler and Wallis were also major contributors in the convincing win, as they scored four goals and three goals respectively.

"I think overall we have been able to



Courtesy of Clint Offen

Sophomore Catherine Kennedy (24) was huge in the Eagles' win over No. 19 Stevenson. Kennedy accounted for six points for UMW (five goals and one assist) in the 14-6 victory.

come together as a team," Butler said. "We know what each other are going to do on the field before it even happens, and that's beneficial both on offense and defense. We need to continue to play with the intensity that we have had when playing against top teams and not let the other team dictate our level of play."

Senior co-captain Ashley Scutari echoed Butler's statement.

"Even though we are doing well with a 7-2 overall record thus far, there is always room for improvement," Scutari said. "Our goal since the

beginning of the season is to win CACs and receive an automatic bid to the NCAA's."

Coach Hall reiterated what her captain said, saying that even though UMW has secured at least the second seed in the CAC tournament, they still have work to do.

"Our goals from the beginning have been to secure a chance to play for the conference title and secure a bid in the NCAA tournament," Hall said. "We need to take one game at a time to achieve that."

Upcoming UMW Home Sports Events

Saturday, April 3

Softball vs. Wesley College @ 12:30 p.m.

Sunday, April 4

Women's Lacrosse vs. Guilford College @ 2 p.m.

Monday, April 5

Softball vs. Hood College (DH) @ 3 p.m.

Wednesday, April 7

Men's Tennis vs. Salisbury University @ 3:30 p.m.

Women's Tennis vs. Salisbury University @ 4 p.m.

Softball vs. Virginia Wesleyan College @ 12:30 p.m.

Women's Lacrosse vs. Christopher Newport University @ 4 p.m.

Athlete of the Week

Sophomore attacker Catherine Kennedy gets the honor this week. Kennedy scored nine goals and added three assists this past week to lead the women's lacrosse team to a 3-0 mark.

